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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1910.

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WALLACE KILLS DIGGS

Dance Terminates in Deadly
Fight—By-stander is the
Victim. Slayer lodged
in County Jail.

A deplorable tragedy took place in the bottom, near Mabel, last Friday morning between 12 and 1 o'clock, when Oscar Diggs was shot and mortally wounded by Bert Wallace. The wounded man was brought to Hickman for medical attention, but lived only 48 hours, death relieving him of his suffering at 12:30 Sunday morning.

Thus another victim has been added to the long list of Fulton county homicides.

Oscar Diggs was 28 years old, unmarried and made his home with an uncle—John Kingston—who resides on the old John Stowe place in the lower bottom. On Friday night, according to the reports, a dance was given by and at the home of Tom Ogden, in honor of Bert Wallace, whose home is now in Portageville, Mo. As is often the case, too much bad whiskey went along with some of the boys, and before 10 o'clock fighting began. It is said that Ezra Anderson, son of J. R. Anderson, and Wallace had a little gun play at about the hour mentioned, and that Wallace succeeded in getting Anderson's pistol away from him during the scrap. Their difficulty subsided temporarily and the dance went on. About 12 o'clock their trouble was renewed; this time in the room in which the dancers were assembled. Anderson is said to have advanced on Wallace with an open knife, and the latter drew his pistol and fired at Anderson, in such a manner as to endanger the lives of ladies present as well as other men. Diggs, who was standing near the two men attempted to act in the capacity of peace-maker, and in so doing the second shot fired from the 32-calibre revolver took effect on him. The ball entered the lower part of the abdomen, perforating the bladder, and inflicting a mortal wound.

There are various rumors as to the cause of the trouble leading up to the killing. Some intimate that it was a "put-up job," and others say it was purely accidental. The former say it was the out-come of jealousy over a Miss Bolt, to whom Mr. Diggs was to have been married during the Christmas holidays. The latter theory, however, does not sound plausible, as the man who did the shooting has a wife and children at Portageville. It is highly probable that the killing of Diggs was accidental. What is correct in the matter, we are unable to say, various reports having gained circulation.

After the shooting, Diggs was kept at the Ogden home, and medical aid summoned. Dr. P. B. Curlin answered the call and a hasty examination proved to him that the young man's injuries were fatal. He was, however, brought to Hickman where he could have constant attention. Drs. Curlin and Luten did all they could for him, but he gradually sank and finally expired after suffering untold agony.

Following the shooting, Wallace made one or two attempts to get away, but Ed Palmer, brother-in-law of the wounded man, guarded him and kept him from leaving until Friday afternoon. While Palmer was trying to look after Diggs, Wallace got a chance and made his escape. This happened less than an hour before Deputy Sheriff Rob Goadler arrived on the scene, as did also Sheriff Johnson, who received word at Madrid Bend, where he was spending the week collecting taxes. Officers were wired to be on the lookout for Wallace and he was caught Saturday afternoon at Portageville, Mo. The officer brought him to Hickman Sunday night and he is now held in the county jail to await the next term of the circuit court, charged with manslaughter. Wallace only recently left the bottom, where he had been farming, in order to evade answering to a charge of some minor offense he committed while a resident of the county. He also resided in Hickman a few years ago. He had returned from Missouri to get some household goods which he had left behind when he left the state, and his uncle had



Santa Claus:—

"These Are the Most Sensible
Letters I Ever Received!"

Hickman, Ky., Dec. 15, 1910.

Dear Santa Claus:

You have always sent me trinkets, jewelry and toys, which cost as much, or more, than useful and sensible gifts.

I would appreciate more your giving me something in the line of apparel or useful presents this year.

To make it easy for you I make the following suggestions, any of which would be appreciated:

RUGS—room size and small size. I saw a beautiful line this week, bought for Christmas presents.

FURS in sets or single pieces, as scarf or muff.

COAT OR SUIT—plain or fancy material. Ask for "Bischof" make, they are always up-to-date.

DRESS GOODS or Silk Patterns will please every woman.

HOSE—silk or lisle, are graciously received.

HAND BAGS—with purse, mirror and other fixings.

GLOVES—kid, mocha and golf. Ask for Simmon's gloves, they're better.

UMBRELLAS—with plain Mission handles, or fancy gold and silver trimmed.

TABLE COVERS with napkins to match.

ART LINENS are always acceptable.

SHOES—a nice pair will please any woman. Ask for E. P. Reed's.

HOUSE SLIPPERS are very desirable for winter wear. HANDKERCHIEFS—one of the choicest gifts. Ask to see the new Sunspun embroidered.

NOVELTIES—hat pins, belt pins, brooches, beauty pins, veil pins, combs, etc., are always sure to please.

SCARFS—exquisite chiffons and crepe are graceful and becoming.

FANCY NECKWEAR, each one in holiday box.

SWEATER COATS for women and children.

A PAIR WOOL BLANKETS will certainly be appreciated.

Now, dear Santa, one last word, don't tire yourself looking around, or put off buying too long, you'll find the above and numbers of others that will please me equally as well, at the Christmas store for Sensible Presents—SMITH & AMBERG'S.

Yours sincerely,

A PRACTICAL WOMAN.

Hickman, Ky., Dec. 15, 1910.

Dear Santa Claus:

If you're contemplating sending me anything please make it something to wear or something that will be of service. I can buy the knick-knacks and bric-a-brac myself.

Any of the following articles will please me:

NECKWEAR in beautiful designs, put up in fancy boxes.

GLOVES—either mocha, kid or golf, in fine Christmas boxes.

SHIRTS—plain white, fancy or wool.

SWEATER COATS are always appreciated.

SOCKS—silk, cassimere and lisle, Interwoven brand is best, fancy boxes.

FANCY WAISTCOATS for all occasions, dress or business.

HANDKERCHIEFS—silk, linen and cambric.

SUIT CASES, handbags and trunks.

UMBRELLAS are always acceptable.

SHOES—patent or dull leather. Ask for the Florsheim or Crossett make.

HOUSE SLIPPERS, leather or felt.

SUSPENDERS AND MUFFLERS in fancy boxes.

MEN'S JEWELRY SETS—cuff links sets in boxes, cuff links and pin to match.

HATS, either black or fancy.

AN OVERCOAT or Raincoat, for dress, for business, for storm wear—a liberal, useful gift.

A GOOD BUSINESS SUIT—It's mighty fine. Ask for Hart Schaffner & Marx make, and you'll get the best.

BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS—Be sure you ask for "Perfection" make, you're getting something good then.

Now, I've told you what will please a man or boy, I've one more hint to make—where to go. There's one store in Hickman where men always go when they are particular about what they're getting. You should go there too. Anybody will direct you to Hickman's Leading Store—SMITH & AMBERG'S.

Yours very truly,

A SENSIBLE MAN.

given a dance for him while he was here. The murderer doesn't appear to be over 25 years of age. When the train pulled in Sunday night and he saw the large crowd at the station, he shook with fear, believing that he saw a mob assembled. But no demonstration was made, and he was landed safely in jail. Anderson was also arrested by Sheriff Johnson Tuesday.

Oscar Diggs was a young man of good reputation. He was a member of the W. O. W. Camp of this city, and was buried Sunday afternoon by and with the honors of the order at the city cemetery. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ed Palmer, of this city, and another sister who resides near Dyersburg, Tenn. Also his uncle, Jno. Kingston, with whom he made his home.

Lad Kills Brother.

A special from Bardwell says: Sam the 14-year-old son of S. O. Stall, of Kirbyton, was accidentally shot and instantly killed by his 12-year-old brother, Jewell, Saturday, while seated at dinner. Jewell had just returned from hunting, and walked to the

dining room door and said, "Who'll give me leave to shoot 'em?"

"I will," said Sam, throwing up his hands. Jewell, thinking that the gun was empty, pulled the trigger, and at the explosion of the gun the boy fell dead.

Mr. Stall is a brother of Jailor Noonon's wife, in this city.

This cold weather is causing the gents' furnishing stores to be liberally patronized by unfurnished gents.

It will soon be time to hang up the stocking. Let the rich of Hickman think of the poor who have no stockings to hang up.

Miss Pearl Martin left Sunday afternoon on a visit to Humboldt, Tenn. to be gone several months.

County Commissioner Jas. Milner
as over from Fulton, Monday, on
business. Jim has more business than
the proverbial cranberry merchant at

Remember!

That the best place for you to buy your CHRISTMAS GOODS
of all kinds is at

Ellison Brothers

Because-- THEY show the largest stock and the freshest and most varied assortment, and their prices are the lowest. The entire upper floor of their store building has been prettily decorated and is devoted exclusively to HOLIDAY GOODS. These are all conveniently arranged on tables of ample space, so that your selections can be easily made, thus making your Christmas shopping a pleasure indeed. Here are shown

**Dolls and Toys, Books and Pictures, Imported Chinaware
Glassware, Fancy Vases, Cut Glass, Novelties of all kinds**

You are cordially invited to come and spend all the time you may wish in looking through the stock.

On Our Lower Floor

We show a magnificent selection of

**Fine Cut Glass
Imported Chinaware
Carlsbad China Dinner Sets
Initial Dinner Sets
Japanese Vases
Fish Sets
Game Sets
Water Sets
1847 Rogers Bros.
Silverware**

As an instance of the lowness of our prices we show a heavy cut glass, 9-inch bowl, finely cut at \$5.00, which we are told has been priced elsewhere at \$8.50. We show fine cut glass nappies at \$1.25 and \$1.50. Pitchers, tumblers, sugar and creams, all at saving prices to you.

==The Ideal==

Christmas Present

Because it is for the entire family, is a

Victor Victrola



The most wonderful musical instrument in the world. With it in your house you can call, at your command, the voices of the world's most famous singers and hear them at your pleasure as often as you wish. All the world-famed bands, orchestras and musicians are yours whenever you may wish to hear them, and the cost is but little.

Victor Talking Machines

\$10.00 \$17.50 \$25.00 \$32.50

Victor Victrolas

\$75.00 \$100.00 \$125.00

Terms to suit you.
A little down and a little a week.

For Eatables

of all kinds ours is THE store

Fine Candies...

At 10c and 20c a pound

We are exclusive handlers in Hickman of the famous RED BAND CANDIES, made in New York, the only really fine candies that can be sold at 10c and 20c a pound. You may pay 40 or 50 cents for candies but you can not buy better candies than our FINE CHOCOLATES and BON BONS at 20c a pound.

Washington Boxed Apples

A big assortment of the most luscious fruit you ever saw or tasted.

**Florida Oranges, Grape Fruit
Malaga Grapes, Cranberries
Mich. and California Celery
Fresh Oysters
Basket Grapes, Imported Figs
Bananas
Nuts of every kind
Cocoanuts**

In fact, EVERYTHING that is good to eat at Christmas time.

Ellison Brothers

CITIES OF CIBOLA

Something of the Seven Dream Towns Coronado Sought.

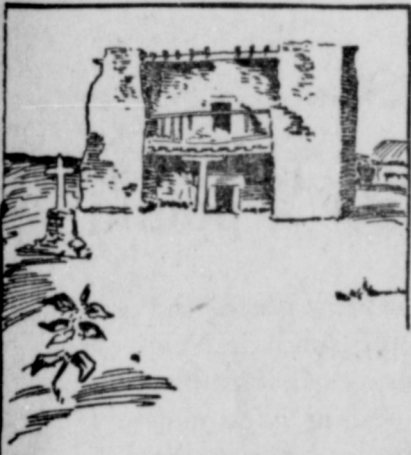
Led on by a Priest's Exaggeration, the Explorer Expected Palaces and Found Huts—Zuni Inhabitants and Their Life.

Gallup, N. M.—Forty-five miles south of this place, which is the nearest railroad station, is Zuni, the heritor and sole modern representative of the Seven Cities of Cibola, the search for which inspired the march of Coronado—justly celebrated as one of the most remarkable overland journeys of exploration of which history gives any record.

Zuni is notable as being the largest of existing Pueblo Indian communities, as well as one of the most primitive. It contains a population of not far from 2,000, and is situated so far from the beaten paths and from important centers of population that primitive manners, customs and industries still survive to a surprising extent. Hence the student of archaeology may find many interesting sidelights cast upon that erudite science in this fossilized relic of past ages.

Not far to the northeast of Zuni may be seen the ruins of Hawikuh—the first of the Seven Cities of Cibola to be beheld by the eyes of Europeans. It was entered in 1539 by the negro, Estevan, who was killed. A few years later Friar Marcos of Nice viewed it from a distant hill, and then hastened back to Mexico to inflame the Spanish adventurers with the greed of gold and the lust of conquest by exaggerated descriptions of its wealth and magnificence. The next year it was entered by Coronado and his disappointed followers, who found but a cluster of squalid huts, inhabited by half-naked barbarians, instead of a city rivaling the capital of the Montezumas, as the priest had led them to expect. Soon afterward Hawikuh and all the rest of the Seven Cities were abandoned, the inhabitants congregating into one large community, the better to defend themselves against their new white foes.

Close by the village, on the opposite side of the sluggish Zuni river, is a long, low stone building, now occupied by an Indian trader as a store and residence. This house was built and occupied by Frank Cushing, the em-



The Old Zuni Mission.

ment ethnologist, when he went to live among the Zunis to study their language, religion, traditions and customs in the interest of science. He became, to all intents and purposes, an Indian himself, gaining the confidence of the people, being adopted into the tribe, and penetrating farther than anyone else has ever done into the arcana of the Zuni heart.

Two miles east of the village is Toyahvale, or Thunder mountain—the Olympus of the Zunis. In 1540, and again in 1692, the inhabitants of all the Seven Cities retreated to the summit of Toyahvale, and there successfully defied the advancing Spaniards. There are two trails that lead to the summit, and these are so steep and narrow that the warriors, armed only with bows and arrows, or with large stones which they could hurl or roll down upon their enemies, were able to repel the attacks of the mailed soldiers.

On the occasion of their second hegira to Toyahvale the Zunis defied the Spaniards for twelve years, until at last peace was made on terms favorable to them.

Close to the village is a low earthen mound, with a few flat stones on the top, which one would pass unnoticed, were he not told what it contains. The interior is carefully walled up with flagstones, and in it are deposited the scalps of enemies slain in the wars of the past. They are among the most highly treasured of the possessions of the community because they are the sole tangible evidence that remains of past greatness and past glory, when the Zunis held their own against marauding Navajos and Apaches, and even against the all-conquering pale-faces.

In the center of the town stand the crumbling gray walls of the old mission church, built by the Franciscans early in the seventeenth century. Although the priest in charge escaped the general massacre in 1680, he was compelled to flee, and the church was never again occupied as a house of worship. The Zunis, therefore, long ago forgot the message of the padres, and relapsed into the paganism of their forefathers.

Its about time for another fire. Let Kennedy write you some insurance today.

QUEEN MOTHER FAST AGING

Since Edward's Death She Seems a Very Worn Woman Compared to Her Earlier Brightness.

London.—Alexandra, queen mother of England, is an amazing woman to those whose span of life is as long as her own. For though there remains the same marble freshness of face that has caused crowds to exclaim for years: "How young the queen keeps," she is really a very worn woman compared to the dashing Danish princess who came to share the responsibilities of the late King Edward. And since her husband's death those who are near her have noticed a marked tightening of the grip of age on her.

Her great deafness makes her appear dull and causes her to retire more within herself than she would otherwise care to do. Yet years ago she was one of the most vivacious, high-spirited and daring woman of the time. Among skaters none was more dashing than the queen. She was, too, an intrepid horsewoman and straight rider to hounds, absolutely without fear in the hunting field.



Alexandra, Queen Mother.

An inspection of the saddlery shows that on all the queen's saddles the pommels and gear are reversed from the ordinary type. She continued to ride almost as well and fearlessly as before, but of recent years the nearest approach to this has been a little hill climbing on the back of a sober and sturdy pony at Balmoral occasionally. But now even that has been dropped. A stroll in the grounds wherever she may be stopping is all the exercise she takes.

King George has been most kind to his widowed mother, although when he told her to take whatever she wanted from Buckingham palace to Marlborough house—her future town residence—he did not know what a mountain of personal goods she would get together for the fit.

DISTRICT IS QUEER SHAPED

It is Long and Narrow and is Represented by "Uncle" Joe Cannon.

Chicago.—So much is being said these days about "Uncle" Joe Cannon,

Speaker of the house of representatives, and his queer shaped Illinois district that we give herewith a sketch of the district. This sketch shows accurately its proportions. The district extends north and south over the greater extent of the entire length of the state, but is exceedingly narrow; in fact, in places only a few miles wide. It is compared to an elongated section of stick candy or an unusually narrow ladyfinger confection, crisp and dandy.

That congressional districts are given a shape so grotesque only when a decided political advantage is seen in grouping certain territorial units together was the statement of experienced politicians.

The contour of this district does not differ so very much from that of the district in Massachusetts from which the word "gerrymander" was originally obtained, away back in 1812. As everybody knows, somebody made the bright suggestion that it be known as a gerrymander because Governor Gerry had approved the bill, and a new word was thus born into the language.

Wants Settlement.

All persons or firms indebted to the firm of J. A. Cotton & Co., are hereby notified that settlement must be made between this date and Jan. 1, 1911. These accounts MUST be paid or suit will be filed at once.—R. L. BRADLEY, Secy.

..Christmas Suggestions..

SHOP HERE IF YOU HAVE A

GIFT TO BUY

FOR A MAN OR BOY

Our store is overflowing with useful things suitable for Christmas Presents.

May we suggest:

Neckwear, in beautiful designs, 25c to 75c

Gloves, Berry & Davis make, all shades, lined or unlined, \$1.00 to \$1.75

ECLIPSE SHIRTS, in striking patterns, \$1.00 and more

Handkerchiefs, silk, linen and cambric, all prices.

Mufflers, wool knit and silk, 35c to \$1.25

Umbrellas in fancy and plain handles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

Combination Sets, Suspenders, Arm Bands and Garters, 50c to 75c

" " tie pin and buttons, 50c to 1.75

Silk and cotton Hosiery, for men and women, 50c to 1.25

Sweaters and Underwear, in wool and cotton.

Hats, Caps, Shoes, and other useful articles.

MILLET & ALEXANDER

MEN'S OUTFITTING SHOP

Hubbard A Director.

Dr. J. M. Hubbard, of this city, has been elected as a director in the Travelers' Insurance Machine Co., of Louisville. The company has been recently organized and if they succeed in getting all as good men on the board as Dr. Hubbard, it ought to be a success. They manufacture a vending machine which issues accident insurance. You put a coin in the slot and get an accident policy. E. R. Hutchings, local representative, has sold quite a lump of the capital stock in the company in this city.

Largest line of neckwear in West Kentucky to be found at H. E. Curlin's. You are invited to inspect same whether you wish to buy or not.

The President Monday appointed Justice E. D. White, of the U. S. Supreme court to be the chief justice of the court. The Senate confirmed the appointment Tuesday. Judge White is a Democrat and was appointed an Associate Justice by President Cleveland in 1894. His home is in Louisiana.

The celebrated Mayfield Jeans at Sullivan Bros.—50c, 75c and \$1.

Jas. A. Barker's barn on the Deal farm, about half mile south of Charleston, was destroyed by fire Wednesday evening about five o'clock. 1,300 bales of hay went up in the flames. Mr. Baker carried no insurance and the loss falls heavily upon him. He does not know how the fire originated.

News From Cayce.

Herschell Bradley is at home again.

Miss Allie Thomas is on the sick list.

Ernest Burns is very low of pneumonia.

H. P. Johnson was in Hickman Tuesday.

Mrs. Ardell Johnson went to Moscow Thursday.

Miss Audrey Campbell was a visitor here a few days last week.

Mrs. Minnie Searce, of Fulton, visited relatives here a few days last week.

Misses Ethel and Lillian Edmiston visited Miss Grace Evans Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Eula Johnson and brother, visited their aunt, Mrs. Lon Naylor, in Hickman a few days last week.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: Regular services Sunday morning and evening. You have a cordial invitation to visit us.—Pastor.

Robbers dynamited a small safe in the postoffice at Pulaski, near Cairo Monday, and got away with \$529 worth of stamps. Blood hounds followed their trail to Villa Ridge where it was lost.

Geo. Wright was fined \$11.50 in Judge Remley's court this week, on charge of disturbing public worship. The trouble occurred at the chapel in West Hickman Sunday night.

Mrs. J. M. Hubbard and daughter, Miss Charlotte, left Thursday for Brooksville, Fla., to visit relatives. Miss Hubbard will attend several house parties while in the South.

The seven-year-old son of Will Green, residing in the lower bottom, died Sunday night. We are unable to get further particulars at this time.

Mrs. Chris Hall has returned to Tiptonville after a visit to Hickman relatives.

Heard On the Streets

Lots of grip.

Lyric Saturday night.

Art goods at Berendes.

Moving pictures Saturday night.

H. T. Beale is on the sick list.

Christmas Cards—Helm & Ellison.

Santa Claus must be an awful liar.

River: Cairo gauge reads 14.2 and falling.

Good candy at 10c a pound.—Helm & Ellison.

Assessor Chas. Beadles is ill at his home in Fulton.

Sullivan Bros.—The Pants King Trousers, 50c up.

Order your Christmas flowers now—Miss Frankye Reid.

Rep. F. S. Moore has moved his office to the Peoples Bank.

WANTED to buy: A good cow with a young calf.—M. A. McDaniel.

H. E. Curlin has a line of whip cord suits. See them before you buy.

See coat sweaters, sweater vests and all kinds of sweaters at H. E. Curlin's.

A. H. Leet, the dairyman, who recently fell and dislocated his hip, is able to be up again.

Col. H. Buchanan has been quite sick for several days but is reported as feeling better today.

Uncle Jack Dowdy, aged 75, a well known citizen of Graves county died of pneumonia last Thursday.

Mrs. Connelly, a St. Louis lady, was here the first of the week trying to lease hotel property.

Now ready, our new post cards, and the price has been reduced from 5c to 2 for 5c.—Helm & Ellison.

The State Treasurer, on Friday sent out checks for county school teachers amounting to \$819,486.

What's the use paying from 30c to 50c for candy when we sell the same thing at 10c a pound?—Helm & Ellison.

Marshall Glenn, of near Jordan, a brother-in-law of M. A. McDaniel, has been dangerously ill, but is improving at last reports.

The preliminary trial of Bert Wallace who killed Oscar Diggs, last week, will be held before Judge Naylor this afternoon.

Mrs. P. H. Mitchell and little daughter have returned to Peggam, Tenn., after spending a few days with her friend, Mrs. R. L. Gray.

All advertisements, announcements etc., intended for next week's Courier must be in earlier, as the paper will go to press Wednesday night.

Dr. John B. Hollifield, father of the county attorney of Graves county, died Monday morning at his home near Mayfield of pneumonia. He was 70 years old.

Indications are now that we will have two steam laundries—Harris & Kennedy and parties from Paducah. Hickman will support one good laundry but not two.

Enoch Stages, age 39, and Miss Mattie Coleman, age 19, both residents of this county, were married at the residence of and by Rev. G. W. Wilson, Sunday.

The railroad people are going right ahead with their work, and have in the neighborhood of a hundred negroes employed. They will finish their tracks this month.

The Ladies of the Embroidery Club were entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. C. F. Baltzer. There were a few visitors besides the club members. A salad course was served.

For good serviceable overcoats H. E. Curlin is making a showing which the public has not seen. Coats that are absolutely water proof and very dressy. Prices \$6, \$7.50 and \$8. H. E. Curlin's. One price to all.

Prof. B. F. Gabby informs us that the teachers and pupils of the Hickman public schools will get a week's holiday Christmas week. School will close Friday afternoon, Dec. 23, and begin again Monday morning, Jan. 2, 1911.

John A. Ray, of Aberdeen, Miss., a practical oil mill man, writes to know what the prospects are for another oil mill in Hickman. Just about the best you ever saw Mr. Ray, for a small, well managed mill. This is a proposition that should be looked into by our business men.

From the Fulton County Capital

County Court.

A regular term of the Fulton County Court was held at the Court House Monday.

The last will of Miss Emeline McConnell was filed for probate and A. K. McConnell, her brother, was appointed administrator of the estate.

Allen Davis was appointed administrator of the estate of Mary A. Powell.

The will of Dock Gardner, a negro, was filed for probate.

T. N. Fields was appointed administrator of the estate of his mother, Mrs. Catherine Fields. Joe Browder, W. A. Terry and C. M. Wright were appointed as appraisers of the estate.

S. L. Dodds was appointed administrator of the estate of Oscar Diggs, the young man who was shot last week.

The following fiduciary settlements were confirmed:

Mrs. Kate Morris, guardian for Nathaniel and Arthur Morris.

H. N. Seat administrator of the estate of Mrs. E. A. Seat.

Warren Browder appointed overseer of the Liberty Road.

Circuit Court.

The Goyer Co. vs. J. J. Donnelly. Attachment suit. Donnelly had several head of mules attached here on complaint of Mississippi parties.

Mrs. Elizabeth Osgood vs. Western Union Telegraph Co. Suit for \$2000 damages for failure to deliver telegram. Mrs. Osgood's mother died at Colorado Springs, Colo., Nov. 3, 1910.

Matilda Moore vs. Jake Moore. A divorce suit.

Real Estate Transfers.

N. O. Tyler, of Alabama, to W. F. Lamb, of Union City, 200 acres land, \$1562.50.

Mrs. M. E. Nailling to Chas. J. Menese, 30 acres land, \$1200.

C. L. Walker to S. L. Dodds, lot in Southern Heights, \$316.

J. A. Cotton to Nute Polk, lot in Henry Addition, \$75.

G. B. Bond Trustee to Everett Chambers, lot in Bond's Addition, \$70.

L. J. Newhouse to W. T. Bradley, lot in Fulton, \$450.

Geo. W. Pewett to A. W. Corum, 52 acres land, \$1100.

Mrs. S. M. Hubbard to R. E. Mangold, 39 acres land, \$1800.

J. J. C. Bondurant to C. C. Bondurant, 100 acres land, \$1 and other considerations.

S. W. Gouger to C. L. Walker, 4 vicinity lots in Hickman, \$1400.

Henry Sanger to C. L. Walker, lots in Mengel View, \$1427.50.

J. T. Bard et al to E. T. Bard, interest in land, \$1 and other considerations.

Richard Bard to E. J. Bard, 16 acres land, \$100.

E. T. Bard to Jno. R. McGehee, 72½ acres land, \$4500.

Nancy James to J. P. Swann, lot in Rice Addition to Fulton, \$25.

J. P. Swann to J. Law, lot Rice's Addition to Fulton, \$1600.

J. J. C. Bondurant to W. A. Brown, 46 acres land, \$700.

F. M. Barnes to J. N. Lausk, Lot 286 in West Hickman, \$700.

Mary E. Bard to W. L. Hampton, interest in land, \$162.50.

Alva Byassee to W. L. Hampton, interest in land, \$162.50.

Everything Guaranteed
One price to all

"Remember" when purchasing of H. E. Curlin you have the liberty of exchanging for any other article, or your money will be cheerfully refunded.

"Remember"

H. E. Curlin's

Everything Guaranteed
One price to all

Christmas is Coming

AND WE HAVE PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY AT RIGHT PRICES

Our stock is full of Variety, Quality, Beauty and Good Taste.

It is easy to select from—it supplies exactly what you want and it would be a mistake to buy before you see it.

There are antiques in Jewelry and Novelties not found anywhere else.

Come in and see how well we can fill your wants and how far we can make your money go.

Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Umbrellas, Mufflers, Hosiery, Pajamas, Shirts, Gloves, Neckwear, Hat, Caps, Sweaters, Sweater Vests and Furnishings of all kinds.

We want to call the attention of all those who are making Footwear Gifts, to our large and well selected line of Mens, Ladies and Childrens Christmas Shoes, and also to the fact that if you should not know the exact size the person wears, we will gladly exchange them and fit the person properly any time after Christmas.

MENS SHOES

Packard's Shoes in all the most up-to-date styles, built on the best lasts, and shown in all leathers, button or blucher.

3.50 to 5.00

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W. A. Dodds to B. S. Elliott, lot in Henry Addition, \$32.

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M. B. Shaw to Haydn Wilson, lots 123 and 124 in Gourley's Addition, \$225.

Richmond and Bond to B. S. Elliott lot to R. & B. Addition, \$300.

Henry Sanger to B. S. Elliott, lots in Mengel View, \$170.

L. D. Perry to Lavana M. Fuller, lot in West Hickman, \$800.

Jno. Wright to F. M. Barnes, lots 345 and 346 in West Hickman, \$200.

Roger Addisson to C. N. Evans, lot in Henry Addition, \$50.

R. W. Wilson to M. B. Shaw, lots East Hickman, \$270.

S. C. Stubblefield to H. F. Oliver, lots in Fulton, \$1400.

H. F. Stubblefield to Ed Thomas, lots in Fulton, \$.....

The regular Santa Claus candy at Helm & Ellison's for only 10c a pound.

Miss Vera Thomas, of Woodland, spent a few days here this week.

To Him Who Waits.
Most of the things that come to him who waits are disappointments

Miss Lelia Shaw, of State Line, visited Mrs. T. A. Ledford this week.

Measure Upon Measure.
With the day the light, with the road the strength to tread it.—Samuel Johnson.

J. W. Green, of Mayfield, was here Friday on business.

The family of Geo. Coon, has moved back from their former home in Newbern. Mr. Coon is a lumber inspector at the Mengel Box Factory.

Musical instruments of all kinds at Berendes.

A special term of the Mississippi county court convened in Charleston-Mo., Monday for the purpose of bringing to trial the parties who are under indictment for inciting and participating in the lynching of the two negroes, Bob Coleman and Sam Fields at Charleston on Sunday, July 3, both charged with murder in the first degree and out under \$10,000 bonds. In this case are Messrs. Wm. Babb, John Carnahan, Wm. Knight and J. S. White. Messrs. Clarence Johnson, W. L. Simpson, T. D. Huff and James Herron are under indictment for participation and are out under \$300.00 bonds.

Coleman and Fields were Tennessee negroes employed on the farm of Albert Story, about four miles south of Charleston. While in town on the night of July 2 last, they asked permission of Wm. Fox, a prominent farmer and neighbor of Mr. Story, to ride out home in his wagon. The favor was granted, and at a point about half a mile from town they demanded his money, which he refused to give up, and in the tussel that ensued one of the negroes shot Mr. Fox, mortally wounding him. The negroes then escaped, but were trailed by bloodhounds, captured and lodged

in jail. Mr. Fox died on Sunday morning following the shooting, and that afternoon a mob of infuriated citizens stormed the jail and hung both negroes.

A. S. Rosedale is on the sick list. Weather: Fair today and tomorrow.

Watch for the blue mark on the upper right hand corner of your paper. It means that your subscription has expired, and that the paper will stop unless renewed at once. Don't fail to read our clubbing offer in this issue and get busy.

Reader's Faithful Friends.
Tradition is but a meteor, which, if it once falls, cannot be rekindled. Memory, once interrupted, is not to be recalled. But written learning is a fixed luminary, which, after the cloud that had hidden it has passed away, is again bright in its proper station. So the books are faithful repositories, which may be awhile neglected or forgotten, but when opened again, will again impart instruction.—Dr. Johnson.

Geo. Coon spent Saturday and Sunday with his family in Newbern.

Our 25c coffee is equal to any you ever bought at 35 to 40c.—Bettersworth & Prather.

ASTRAY: One black poland china boar, has white face, weighs two hundred pounds, split in right and swallow fork in left ear. Has been at L. D. Maddox's for the last two months.

Kissing Bug, 1910 Model, Arrives.
Philadelphia.—While looking for the comet Mrs. George Derham of No. 1835 Broadway, Camden, experienced a stinging sensation on her face, but paid no particular attention to it. A few days later her face began to swell near the left eye. Her husband removed a small bug with the point of a pair of scissors. The claws on the bug resembled the pincers of a crab, and it was taken to the office of Dr. G. E. Kirk, who said it was a good specimen of a "kissing bug."

How It Happened.
"I'm down and out," he muttered low. And sadly dropped his chin. "A friendly deal went in the air, And I was taken in."

The Angel Crab.
Borrowby.—The scheme would be a howling success if I could secure the proper backing, and— Grimshaw.—The only backing I am doing this year is out.—Puck.

Trades His Baby for Pig.
Winnipeg, Manitoba.—A Russian woman living east of this city recently gave birth to twins, but her husband was so displeased over the dual addition to his family that he promptly traded one of the babies to another Russian for a pig.

The case came to the attention of the authorities and a constable forced the father to cancel the trade, which he had made over the bitter protests of the mother. It is probable the entire family will be deported.

Soothed by Sand.
New York.—One of the most soothing and beneficial "cures" a tired business man can obtain is that of walking barefooted on the sands by the seashore.

\$155 an Ounce for Rare Forks.
London.—The record price of \$155 an ounce was paid by Mr. Amor for two rare old silver two-pronged forks from the collection of Lord Tweedmouth. The forks were respectively of the William and Mary and Queen Anne periods.

Headquarters for Christmas goods.—Berendes.

Ivy Frost, formerly of this city, now located in Louisiana, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. I. D. Price.

Chambers--Irvine.

E. P. Irvine and Miss Myrtle Chambers, both residents of this city, surprised their many friends Sunday when they procured a license and were married at the residence of Mrs. H. W. Higgins, in East Hickman.

Mr. Irvine is employed at A. J. Wright's harness shop and has made many friends in Hickman.

Mrs. Irvine is popular in the circle in which she moves.

O. T. Salmon performed the ceremony.

Just the thing for Xmas stockings—our 10c candies. Absolutely fresh and pure.—Helm & Ellison.

Looks Like Business.

A few days ago the N. C. & St. L. officials came down to Hickman to again take up the matter of changing their road from the north to the south side of town on account of bad condition and great expense of maintaining their tracks at the present location.

They decided that it was advisable to take steps immediately toward making the change, and accordingly sent a representative to property owners, over whose property the survey runs and secured 30-day options.

This was done.

We are now informed that deeds are being gotten ready and will be sent here for signatures within the next few days. This will mean of course that the road will go south of town. Following this, they have notified Foreman Easley to make no permanent improvements along the route to be abandoned. Contractors now at work on the new levee in this city are also figuring on grading the new road bed. The railroad surveyors were here again the first of the week doing some work along the line which is further evidence that the road will be rebuilt.

Save from \$1 to \$2 a thousand and get a better shingle direct from our mill.—Yates & Kirk Shingle Co.

Special Clubbing Offers.

The Courier has made a clubbing arrangement with all the leading publications in the U. S., and can save our readers on any of them. Nothing better for a Christmas gift than some of these high-class periodicals, and they are always welcome visitors during the long winter months. Below we give a few of those that will make your selection easy. Please remember these prices are positively cash, and will only be sold with the Hickman Courier. Prices quoted are for a year's subscription to the Courier and the publication named:

Hickman Courier—and—

Woman's National Daily	\$1.75
Weekly Commercial Appeal	1.25
The Delineator	1.75
Success Magazine	1.90
Youth's Companion	2.70
Cosmopolitan	1.70
Everybody's	2.00
St. Louis Republic (2 a week) 1.40	
Farm Progress	1.15
Republic RFD daily	2.50
Daily Courier-Journal	3.20
Weekly Courier Journal	1.50
Scientific American	3.6
McClures Magazine	2.00
American Magazine	2.00
American Poultry Advocate	1.35
American Fruit Grower	1.65
Outing Magazine	3.10
Southland Magazine	2.00
Taylor-Trotwood Magazine	2.00
Collier's Weekly	5.30
Coleman's Rural World	1.65
Outlook Magazine	3.75
Human Life	1.70
Review of Reviews	2.50
Smart Set	2.75
Ladies Home Journal	—
Saturday Evening Post	2.50
Woman's Magazine	1.35

If you do not see what you want in this list, call at our office; we have hundreds of others. Write name and address plainly with your order, specifying exactly the periodicals.

Should you want more than one paper besides the Courier take \$1.00 from the price of each extra periodical. Thus: The Woman's National Daily and Hickman Courier costs \$1.75. If you want the Commercial Appeal also, add 25c, making a total of \$2 for the three papers.

LADIES—For a Xmas present for husband, father or brother see these sample overcoats at Sullivan Bros. \$25 values \$12.50; \$18 values \$9; \$15 values \$7.50.

SHIP IS ON ROCKS AT GALE'S MERCY

PASSENGERS AND CREW FORCED
BY HEAVY SEAS TO RE-
MAIN ABOARD.

106 PERSONS IN DANGER

Operator Remains at Key of Wireless
and Flashes Out Calls for Assist-
ance Until Storm Cuts Off
Communication.

Valdez, Alaska, Dec. 13.—The steamers June and Dora and the United States government launch Port Lisicum reached the wreck of the Alaska Steamship company's steamer Olympia, and immediately began taking off the 52 passengers and 54 members of the vessel's crew.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 13.—News is anxiously awaited concerning the fate of the 106 persons on the steamer Olympia, which went on the rocks at the southeastern end of Bligh Island, Prince William Sound, Alaska, during a furious storm. Steamers and launches were hurried to the aid of the vessel from Seward, Valdez and Katalla, and, if the gales have permitted the passengers should have reached Valdez by this time.

Latest dispatches from Cordova and Valdez say no word has been received from the wireless operator on the Olympia to indicate that any of the res-cuing craft had arrived. The only means of communication between Seattle, Cordova and Valdez is by military cable, operated by the United States army signal corps.

Steamer Pounding on Rocks.

The last word received by the operator at the naval wireless station at Cordova was that the passengers and crew were still aboard the Olympia, which was being pounded and tossed about on the sharp rocks by the heavy sea. On account of the fury of the storm, the passengers will not attempt to take to the small boats unless they see that the steamer can hold together no longer.

Cable dispatches received by the Associated Press from Cordova indicate that Wireless Operator Hayes is the hero of the wreck.

In spite of the fact that the Olympia was being tossed violently and the wireless was worked with difficulty, Hayes stuck to his post and managed to reach the operator on duty at the naval wireless station at Cordova with his calls for assistance. The operators kept in touch with each other as much as possible, but there were distressingly long intervals when the government's shore station was unable to detect a vibration from the Olympia's wireless.

Hayes continued at his post and finally succeeded in getting his instruments to work long enough to flash the good news to the shore station, 40 miles away, that all were still on board the Olympia, hopeful that she would hold together until the rescuers arrived.

Seven in Previous Wreck.

For seven of the 52 passengers on the Olympia, this is the second shipwreck experience within a few days. They first sailed from Seattle December 1 on the steamer Northwestern. The vessel was only a few hours out of port when she went on the rocks in False bay, San Juan Island. Her passengers were brought back to Seattle and sailed again on the Olympia.

Shoots Leg Almost Off.

The usual weekly shooting scrape took place in the lower bottom last Saturday night when two negroes got into a wrangle about a 25c debt.

Buck Moore, on Ernest Johnson's place, shot the right leg almost off of another negro whose name we are unable to learn. The weapon was a shotgun. The charge went through the left leg, half way between the knee and thigh and lodged in the right leg.

Harriest Amelia Folsom, 17th and favorite wife of Brigham Young, died Sunday of paralysis, aged 72 years. Her birthplace was Buffalo, N. Y. She crossed the plains to Salt Lake in 1860 and became Young's wife in 1865. She was tall, stately and queenly in appearance and for her Young built the Amelia Palace. Up to her death she was firm in defense of the Mormon principles. Mrs. Young was distantly related to Mrs. Grover Cleveland.

Largest line of neckwear in West Kentucky to be found at H. E. Curlin's. You are invited to inspect same whether you wish to buy or not.

George Gregory, of St. Louis, was here Saturday and Sunday the guest of Miss Homer Green.

Of Interest to Men Only!!

We are going to give the men of this community a chance to buy a suit for Christmas at a price so small it will surprise you.



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We have a number of suits left from former seasons, suits that originally sold for \$10.00 to \$15.00 which we will sell until Christmas at the surprising price of

\$5.00

We do not think these will last long at this price so you will have to hurry to get your size.

Remember this price good only until Christmas.

—SMITH & AMBERG—

Handsome Santa.

Fred Hayden, the hog king of Fulton county, put a nice present in ye editors' box one day last week—two of his famous thoroughbred hogs, a Berkshire and a Red Duroc Jersey. It is hardly necessary to add that they are fine pigs—Hayden won't have any other kind on his place, figuring that it is just as easy to raise a good hog as a razor-back. Well, you know there is some class to a Santa Claus like Mr. Hayden. He would make a good neighbor, an accomplished father-in-law and is a world-beater as old Santa. Its worth while to live among such. We had not yet announced, but we will say right now that we are running on the Christmas ticket, and if this business keeps up, we're as good for election as a nickle is for a ginger-snap.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Engineers is threatening to go on a strike first of the week unless the railroads give them a raise in wages net Saturday. Should it come to the worst, 33,000 engineers, or 95 per cent of those in the United States will walk out. This will mean an indefinite tie up of all trains on roads throughout this section, and Christmas visitors, mail, express and freight will fail to materialize. The result of Saturday's conference is watched with anxiety.

Those mules of Mr. Clark ought to be cornfed this winter, and city broke, so they will be safe and showy by the time congress convenes in March.

Mrs. Carl Schmidt spent a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. Geo. Jones, at Fulton.

Our 25c coffee is equal to any you ever bought at 35 to 40c.—Bettsworth & Prather.

H. E. Curlin has a line of whip cord suits. See them before you buy.

Christmas Cards—Helm & Ellison

Died At Hotel.

W. L. Johnson, age 41 years, died about 12:30 noon, Saturday, at the Cottage Hotel. He had been there several days coming over from Missouri to get medical treatment, and was afflicted with malarial dropsy. The unfortunate man was unable to lie down, fearing he would strangle to death, and was almost a physical wreck before death relieved him of his suffering. He remarked Saturday morning that he was feeling better than he had for several days, and Mr. Cook, who had been sitting up with and giving him medicine, did not pay special attention to him that morning after breakfast. At noon he went up to the man's room and found him sitting on the edge of the bed lifeless.

Johnson was formerly a sawmill man over in Mississippi county, Mo., but had sold out and quit the business. He is survived by a brother at Eldridge, Tenn., and a son nineteen years of age. The son was unable to come to his father as he was too dangerously ill.

Deceased was a charter member of Locust Grove Camp, M. W. A., but the members of the order did not know of his condition until they learned of his death. J. O. King and other members of the camp came over and took charge of the body and looked after its burial, which took place at Brownsville Sunday afternoon. Mr. Johnson carried a \$1,000 life insurance policy. He is survived by his wife, but the couple had separated and she is married to another man.

See coat sweaters, sweater vests and all kinds of sweaters at H. E. Curlin's.

Mrs. John Cox, of Union City, was the guest of her parents, Dick Smith and wife, a few days this week.

Miss Lily Watson, of Dorena, was here Saturday.

Gives One An Idea.

At Caruthersville, Mo. last week, a merchant on opening a barrel of apples, found a note on top from the grower of the apples, who said he received 75c for the barrelful. The merchant paid \$5.50 for them and the consumer 25c a dozen. The difference in the 75 cents the grower received and the \$5.50 the merchant paid for the apples represents the cost of transportation and the middleman's profit. Should it be possible for a grower of a hog to get a slip of paper into a piece of canvassed bacon the man who opened the package would learn that the grower of the hog received 7 or 8 cents a pound for the meat and the consumer paid 30 to 35 cents a pound. The difference in this case represents what the railroads got for hauling the meat and the packer's expense of handling it and the packer's and retailer's profits. Contemplating instances like these it is not hard to find why the high cost of living.—Clinton Gazette.

Mrs. N. V. Davis, of the Vicksburg, (Miss.) Democrat, was here last Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Powell. Mrs. Jennie Davis accompanied her home and will make her home there.

J. E. Bennett, N. C. & St. L. conductor, was the guest of Miss Stella Salmon Sunday.

T. T. Swayne was in Paducah this week.

Order your Christmas flowers now.—Miss Frankye Reid.

Hugh Oliver left Saturday for his home in Memphis.

Deputy Assessor J. M. Atteberry, was over from Crutchfield on business yesterday. He informs us that they have at last finished their work in this district.

BULLION THIEVES CAUGHT

Secret Service Men Arrest Gang That Stole Gold From Steamer Humboldt at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.—A three months' hunt for the thieves who stole \$50,000 of Alaska gold bullion from the steamer Humboldt last September ended in the capture here of six men and one woman, who are being held for the crime.

Secret Service Agent Harry Moffitt directed the seizure of E. C. Smith and wife as chief conspirators, and it was in their room in a cheap lodging house south of Market street that nearly the whole amount of stolen gold, in pigs of the yellow metal, was discovered.

31 BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Fifteen Escape and Four in Alberta Mine Still Are Missing—Rescuers Removed to Hospital.

Frank, Alberta, Dec. 13.—Bodies of 31 men have been recovered from the Bellevue mine. Fifteen of the miners have escaped with their lives. Four still are missing.

Twenty-three of the rescue party, who were caught by a fall of rock, have been removed to the hospital.

Pisa's Tower Increases Lean. Rome, Dec. 13.—The commission appointed to examine into the stability of the leaning tower of Pisa has published its report. It says that measurements prove that the Campanile's inclination has increased five millimeters from the original inclination of 13 feet from the perpendicular.

J. F. Hamilton, of Dyersburg, a member of the St. Louis Furnishing Co. firm, was in the city Tuesday.

What's the matter with Fulton merchants? Most of them are advertising close out to quit business sales.

F. E. Luttrell returned Tuesday from a visit with his mother at Sturgis, Ky., and a short stay in Nashville.

Monroe Warford, a Fulton negro, had his right hand cut off in an edging saw in that city Monday.

Searching for Oil.

Is it possible that Hickman is about to receive an additional boom from unthought of sources? If the hopes of the Penn. Oil Co., materialize, Hickman is destined to be an oil center.

A special from Union City, regarding the work down on the lake, says:

A number of leases have been taken on land near Reelfoot lake, in this county, and work is now in progress for the purpose of prospecting for oil. The Pennsylvania Oil Co., is the firm behind the project, and J. W. Scott, an experienced oil man, is in active charge of the work. Mr. Scott says if they fail to find oil in the Reelfoot vicinity it will be the first time that sunken lands have failed to produce either oil or gas in paying quantities.

The work has created no little excitement among the denizens of that part of the county, and already those who have granted leases are speculating on the proper comportment of millionaire oil men. Should the company be so fortunate as to strike oil or gas in paying quantities it would settle for all time any likelihood of another night rider outbreak in the Reelfoot Lake neighborhood, as it would make numbers of alleged night riders independently rich.

The company will make a thorough and complete effort to find oil or gas, and Mr. Scott is very sanguine in regard to the outcome. He says that the prospects are the best he has ever seen, and that he has never failed to find oil or gas in sunken lands. The prospecting will cover a wide area and will probably be continued for some time, until they either find oil or become thoroughly convinced that it does not exist.

It is also claimed that the hills near the lake are full of mineral deposits, and it is likely that some prospecting will be done to determine whether there are any minerals to be found in paying quantities.

Stacker Lee Floats.

The Stacker Lee, one of the Lee Line Steamers which went aground about two months ago on a bar at Slough Landing, a few miles below Hickman, was floated Tuesday morning on the present rise in the river.

It was thought that the boat would be a total loss and she was stripped of her machinery, etc., some time ago. After she ran aground, the water went down and left her high and dry. Inspection showed that her hog chains had parted and indications were that she was broken about middle ways. The insurance company however put a crew of men at work on her last Sunday and got her in shape to float with the rise. Their work was successful. She was taken to Mound City where she will go on the ways for repairs and will be back in the Lee Line trade in a few weeks. The damage was not so great as was anticipated.

Working on Levee.

Stancil & Roach, the big contractors, of Memphis, shipped their levee construction outfit to Hickman Sunday afternoon, and are now at work on the city's part of the West Hickman levee.

Capt. D. W. Siler, foreman on this job informs us that there is yet more equipment to arrive at this point. He has at present five white men, twenty-five negroes and forty mules on the ground. They have gone into "winter quarters" in the lower end of the Mengel Box Company's yards, and at first glance one would think it was Ringling Bros. show tents.

Mr. Siler says they will finish their work on or before Feb. 15, 1911, according to contract, which gives them two months on the job.

Card Of Thanks.

The undersigned takes this means of thanking friends for their kindness and sympathy in his recent bereavement.

H. C. Amberg.

R. B. Tallafarro and wife, of Gadsden, Ala., spent Tuesday and Wednesday with the families of J. E. Fuqua and C. F. Baltzer. They left yesterday for St. Louis.

Don't forget to renew your subscription to the Courier. The paper stops when the time is out—no exceptions.

Special Values!

The volume of our business has already exceeded our expectations for the year 1910. We now offer you for the balance of that year the same exceptionally low prices on all lines of goods, such as==

LAMPS, TABLE AND POCKET CUTLERY

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, STOVES

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If it's dollars you wish to have after Christmas it will pay you to do your trading with us.

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TO BALL IN BABY CARRIAGE

Former American Girl Adds Much Gaiety to a British Dance in Cairo.

Paris.—A young American matron, with the high-sounding English title of the Hon. Mrs. Hugh Ronald French, has covered herself with glory at the annual military ball given by the English garrison at Cairo.

Before her marriage she was Miss Ida Wynne, a daughter of former Postmaster General Wynne, who later was the American consul general in London. Though her maiden name was plain, her face is her fortune, and the prettiest one seen in Egypt for many moons. Mrs. French is clever and original as well as beautiful. She



created a great sensation in Cairo by engaging a stately, handsome and richly garbed Arab to wheel her through the streets in a perambulator and right into the middle of the ballroom.

As it was a masquerade ball, Mrs. French was dressed as a baby. When recognized finally by her husband and his fellow officers cheers loud and long went up for the American beauty. The baby clothes in which the Hon. Mrs. Hugh was attired all came from the Rue de la Paix, Paris, where they were on exhibition before being sent to Cairo. The Hon. Mrs. Hugh was pronounced indisputably the belle of this ball.

Her husband is a cousin of General Sir John French, one of the bravest officers the English had in South Africa fighting against the Boers. The Hon. Mrs. Hugh's husband has now been ordered to go to India, whither she, of course, will accompany him.

The COURIER for the news.

Agricultural College.

During the first week in January, beginning the 3rd and lasting through the 6th, the Agricultural College of the State University at Lexington, has arranged to observe "Farmers' Week." This will be the best opportunity ever offered for farmers and stockmen of the State to avail themselves of the Agricultural College. The Swine, Beef Cattle, Horses, Dairy Cattle, and Sheep Breeders' Associations of the State will hold their annual conventions there on successive days, each devoting a half day to speeches, business, etc., and the other half to judging work. The State Corn Growers Association, the State Corn Show and Corn School will also be held at the College during the week. Liberal premiums are offered in the various classes in the corn show and equally liberal premiums for farm butter, creamery butter, farm milk and for certified milk.

It has already been predicted by several that Hickman will experience some rough times during the week of Christmas. Prognosticators say money is so plentiful that a lot of it will be sent away for booze, and, as usual, any number of old soaks will try to drink it all at one sitting. Well if they get by Marshals Wright and Hamby, they can say it was rough sailing part of the way.

Pupils of the Union City High School presented their 5-act drama, "For Old Eli," at the Lyric in this city last Friday evening. They were greeted with a good house, and the players acquitted themselves in a very creditable manner. In fact, it was far superior to any home talent play Union City has ever offered to Hickman.

Mrs. Eula Sefried (nee Eula Salmon) and daughter, Bobbie, are here from Cape Girardeau, Mo., visiting Mrs. Zona Winter. Mr. Sefried, we understand, is spending a few days in Jefferson City.

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There seems to be an unusually large number of deaths in this vicinity lately.

If you want to purchase real estate see M. B. Shaw.

FANCY BLOUSE.



Worn with a serge or cloth skirt of the same color this blouse would look very well. It has a yoke of silk and lace ornamented with fancy buttons and loops of cord; the velvet is arranged in flat pleats that are carried from yoke to waist; the sleeve to below elbow is of velvet with cuff of silk, the under-sleeves of lace to match the yoke.

Materials required: 2½ yards velvet 24 inches wide, ¾ yard silk, ¾ yard lace.

Suede and Steel.

A gray suede bag shaped like a fleur-de-lis is most attractive in its unique cut. Its mounting is steel, plain in design, which does not interfere with the outlines of the bag, and the beading differs from that usually seen in that it is done with large instead of small beads.

They measure about an eighth of an inch in diameter and are of fine cut steel. They are used to bring out a pattern on the bag and also to outline its edges, and at the same time to sew the two sides of the bag together.

Life of Underskirts.

When making or buying a petticoat, have it two inches longer than the required length. Put in a one-inch tuck above the hem, which takes up the two inches.

When the bottom ruffle or the hem of the skirt wears, let down the tuck, cut off the ruffle or hem and hem up and you will have a nice clean skirt again, as the bottom always wears first.

Mens \$3 corduroy pants, while they last, at only \$1.75.—Sullivan Bros.

BLUE AND BROWN ARE SMART

These Are the Year's Popular Colors, the Latter Especially in its Darker Shades.

Certain colors never go out of fashion and others are doomed to a short life by the very quality that makes them popular. Navy blue is one of the colors whose popularity never seems to fluctuate from season to season, probably because it is so universally becoming. The browns are more variable, but this year they are considered extremely smart, especially in their darker shades—Kaffir, nutmeg, seal and walnut.

In fact, all the new colors are perceptibly darker. Black is the smartest color of the season, but its effect is far from being sober or somber, because it is always relieved by white or by some vivid color. It has had its effect on other colors; the smart blues are almost black, the new greens are the deep shades of tea-leaf and wintergreen; and prune is the most popular shade of purple. Black used to be kept almost entirely for older women, but dressmakers are beginning to appreciate the fact that it is not becoming unless a woman has youth, health and a good color. Even then it has to be broken with blue, green, gold, etc., to give it the life it needs.—Delineator.

Diet and Beauty.

Diet has much to do with the condition of the pores of the face.

If food is not suited to the individual and is too rich, the system may try to throw it off by an exudation of oil through the pores. It is this which causes oily complexion, and the first step, of course, is to change the diet.

Such foods should be adopted as are nutritious, easily digested, and lacking in grease.

The list includes milk, eggs, fish, rare meats, rich spinach, beans and the like.

Thick soups, pastries and elaborate desserts should be banished, and plenty of fruit eaten.

Fresh air and careful washing of the face are, of course, necessary accompaniments of the treatment.

Carry Few Toilet Articles.

Women frequently carry many more toilet accessories than are needed. It is perfectly fair to assume that the hostess will have a dressing table equipped, or that she will possess enough pieces for the wants of her guests. Every woman wishes to carry her own brush and comb, but a hand mirror is heavy, and it is expected that one will be provided.

Largest line of Christmas goods in Fulton county.—Berendes.

HERE AND THERE

Do your shopping earlier.

Art goods at Berendes.

Christmas Cards—Helm & Ellison

Our 25c coffee is equal to any you ever bought at 35 to 40c.—Bettsworth & Prather.

Nothing more suitable to Christmas giving than Engraved Cards. Samples and prices at Courier office.

The official statement that there has been a general exodus of negroes from Kentucky bears no evidence of substantiation in Hickman.

The real holiday smile is on the faces of the busy shoppers and likewise brightens the visage of the satisfied merchant—for things are coming his way.

One good thing about that late message of the President—there wasn't any reform spelling introduced. Let's see, what's the name of the fellow who tried that?

A good Christmas present for the family away from home and one that will be appreciated fifty-two times in the year is the Hickman Courier. Send it to a friend for a year. It's only \$1.00.

...?—! .? :... is substantially what a friend of ours said the other day after his house burned and he had no insurance. No use for you to talk that way; see Kennedy the insurance man.

One hundred and thirteen lives were lost during the hunting season in the North, which closed Dec. 1. This is considerably more than were killed during any previous season of which there is a record.

They may make hats for them that make it impossible for them to see, and hobble skirts for them that make walking almost impossible, but where is the man that can invent anything to keep the women, heaven bless 'em, from talking?

Thomas Dixon, author and playwright, Saturday sued two ministers of the gospel and five members of the City Council of Americus, Ga., alleging a conspiracy to prevent the presentation of his play, "The Sins of the Fathers," in that city.

Death of Mrs. Powell.

Mrs. Mary A. Powell, one of the pioneer citizens of the county, answered the final summons last Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock, at her home in this city.

Mrs. Powell was formerly Miss Moore, and was a native of Port Gibson, Miss. She was born in that city Dec. 27th, 1828. On Feb. 3rd, 1842, she was united in marriage with Allen Davis, at Port Gibson, who survived only a few years. On April 25, 1872, she was again married to R. R. Powell, a resident of Fulton county, and she has since made this county her home. She is survived by only two children out of a family of nine. These are of her former marriage—Mrs. Jennie Davis and Allen W. Davis, both of this city. She is also survived by one granddaughter, Mrs. Mary Glenn Harris, of Augusta, Ga., and two great grandchildren.

Mrs. Powell was a splendid example of goodness and christian womanhood. Since 1872 she has been a devoted member of the Methodist Church, and loved by all who knew her. The many friends of the good lady will regret exceedingly to learn that she has been called to the Great Beyond.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the family residence, conducted by Rev. G. W. Wilson, and the remains laid to rest at Poplar Grove.

A Primary Election.

The senatorial committee of the First State Senatorial district of Kentucky should call a primary election to nominate a candidate for the State Senate. The democratic county committee of Graves county should call a primary election to nominate a candidate for the legislature. The legislative democratic committee of Fulton and Hickman Counties should also call a democratic primary election to nominate a candidate for the legislature in that district.

All of these primaries should be held on the same day in order that the people of these various districts should have an opportunity to select their candidates and not resort to the snap conventions which usually take these selections out of the hands of the people.—Mayfield Messenger.

Lyric Saturday night.



December Suit Specials At \$16.50

Among them are suits that you would be willing to pay \$25.00 as they are well worth that price.

The season is nearing its close and we have priced our merchandise accordingly, and there are rich values.

At \$20.00

we are showing suits easily worth \$30. It is all high-grade merchandise made in the best manner by leading makers.

**Baltzer & Dodds
Dry Goods Co.**
(Incorporated)

BLAZE IN TAMMANY HALL

FAMOUS DEMOCRATIC STRONGHOLD IS NEARLY RUINED.

Historic Wigwam in New York Damaged \$25,000 by Fire That Followed a Ball.

New York, Dec. 13.—Tammany Hall, the "wigwam" home of the famous political organization, was partly destroyed by fire. It was feared that the blaze would spread to nearby buildings, including the old Academy of Music, the Olympic Music hall and the Central hotel. However, the flames were confined to the interior of Tammany hall itself.

Torrents of water were poured into the big structure and the greater part of the \$25,000 damage was caused by this deluge. It took two hours to get the blaze under control and this task was not accomplished until the fire had eaten its way down from the gallery to the lower floor.

A dance was given a few hours before by a social club in the ballroom of the hall, and it is supposed that a lighted cigar or cigarette, left in one of the boxes in the gallery, started the fire.

GRIEF KILLS MILLIONAIRE

J. W. Hunt's Death Hastened Probably By Young Wife's Elopement With Russian Prince.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 13.—A broken heart, because his beautiful young wife eloped with Alexander Tcherednietoff, a Russian prince, in Paris a year ago, is said to have hastened the death of John Wright Hunt, "the turpentine king" in a sanitarium here. The aged capitalist was devotedly in love with his girl wife and mourned her even after the courts had separated them in New York on the petition of the wronged husband.

His former wife is only 29 years old and was formerly Miss Henrietta Babcock, of Detroit, Mich.

LADIES—For a Xmas present for husband, father or brother see those sample overcoats at Sullivan Bros. \$25 values \$12.50; \$18 values \$9; \$15 values \$7.50.

GOVERNORS LIKED KENTUCKY.

One Offers Suggestion Relatives to Secretary to Governors.

Frankfort.—Two governors, Hadley, of Missouri, and O'Neal, of Alabama, have communicated their appreciation of the hospitality which was extended while in Frankfort and Louisville. Gov. Hadley was interviewed in St. Louis and said he and his wife had found real Kentucky hospitality during their visit. Gov. O'Neal wrote to Gov. Willson asking for copies of his message to the legislature. He says he has to send a message to the legislature after he goes into office and wants as much information as he can get on the subject of recommendations that have been made in other states. Gov. O'Neal says he thinks the governors should have a permanent secretary who can furnish such information showing what is being done in other states.

KENTUCKY'S SHARE.

Amounts That May Be Spent In National Improvements.

Frankfort.—According to the estimates of the various departments of the government, compiled by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. It will cost just \$748,414,860.81 to run the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912. This is \$3,347,663.60 more than the estimate submitted last year.

In the estimates items in which Kentucky is interested wholly or in part, reach a total of \$4,755,000. These are divided as follows:

Internal revenue—\$167,500.
Public Buildings, for purchase of sites and completing buildings—Bowling Green, \$25,000; Catlettsburg, \$20,000; and Winchester, \$55,000.

Rivers and Harbors, contract work—Cumberland river, below Nashville, Tenn., \$250,000; locks 13 and 14, in the Kentucky river, \$65,000; Tennessee river, below Chattanooga, Tenn., \$180,000.

Continuing Improvement and Maintenance—Kentucky river, locks 12 and 14, \$100,000; Ohio river, below Pittsburg, lock 7, 9, 10, 12, 19, 20, 29, 41 and 48, \$1,550,000; for improving and opening Ohio river channels, \$229,500; for dredging and keeping nine-foot stage Ohio river, \$2,000,000; for operating snagboats on the Ohio river, \$26,000.

REPORT ON ASYLUMS.

Frankfort.—State Inspector and Examiner, McKenzie R. Todd, has filed his report with Gov. Willson on an inspection made of the Eastern, Central and Western Kentucky asylums. The work of inspecting these institutions commenced in July. The report as filed with the governor comprises about ninety typewritten pages and is said to be one of the most thorough investigations ever made of these institutions.

The inspector praises the work of the bipartisan board of control in the management of the institutions and states that the excellent work done is noticeable and beneficial.

Frankfort.—The United States supreme court approved the Kentucky court of appeals in the case of the Illinois Central vs. Kentucky. The state had obtained judgment against the railroad for the amount of the tax in 1897, upon the franchise formerly belonging to the Chesapeake, Ohio & Southwestern railroad, of more than \$11,000. The recovery was based on the fact that the Illinois Central was in possession and operating under a power of attorney. The railroad declared a violation of the Fourteenth amendment.

KENTUCKY CADET BREAKS RECORD.

Frankfort.—Midshipman Ernest J. Barber, of this city, at the Naval academy, Annapolis, Md., was awarded the first prize for small arms practice at the academy. He made 515 points out of a possible 540. The honor carried with it a gold medal. He broke the academy record by two points.

Barboursville.—The country home of Warren Gillum, farmer, three miles from this city, burned, the loss being several thousand dollars, with no insurance. A purse containing \$800 in currency, was thrown out of a window, but could not be found.

Frankfort.—Two Kentucky midshipmen have been taken ill with typhoid at the United States Naval academy at Annapolis. They are Urey W. Conway, of Covington, and Allan W. Ashbrook, of Lexington. The former is a member of the first, or graduating, class, and the latter is a member of the third class.

Williamsburg.—Mrs. Mary Collins was shot and killed here by her son, Harvey. So far as known no one witnessed the tragedy, which the young man says was accidental.

Cypress Shingles, \$1 a thousand at mill.—Yates & Kirk Shingle Co.

Miss Stella Salmon left Monday night after a four days visit to her parents.

If we don't sell your real estate, it doesn't cost you a cent. If we do, it only costs you 2 per cent.—The Courier Realty Co.

..Christmas is Coming..

ONLY 8 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

It is a hard problem to think of what each member of the family should get. Let us help you out, come to our store. We are showing many useful gifts in our line. See below—

Silk Hosiery

—For Christmas Presents. We have provided for this Holiday Line of Ladies Silk Hosiery, colors light blue pink, heliotrope and black at.....

\$1.25 a pair

Women's Handbags

—Make nice Christmas presents. A special showing of handbags at.....

50c to \$8.50

Women's German Silver Purses at.....

\$4, \$5, \$6

"Bestyette's" Storm Capes

A very useful Christmas present for children. Come in stripes, navy and red. Ages 5 to 15, prices.....

\$2.50 and \$4

Christmas Neckwear

—For Ladies. New line just received. Baby Irish Lace Collars and Jabots at.....

25c to \$1.50

Silk Persian Bows and Jabots at....

25c, 35c, 50c

Christmas Gloves

Ladies Kid and Golf Gloves at.....

25c to \$1.25

Always appreciated for Christmas presents.

Gift Umbrellas

We are showing new novelties in Women's Silk Umbrellas for the holidays in Princess handles, gold pearl and silver at.....

\$1.50 to \$10

Womens and Misses

House Slippers

—Expressly for Holiday Gifts. Unusually large line in black, light blue heliotrope and red at.....

1.25, 1.50, 1.75

Christmas Rugs

There is nothing that is so well adapted for a gift as a rich oriental Rug. We are showing large assortments, small size to the room size..

\$1.25 to \$25

Christmas Handkerchiefs

Every kind of handkerchief that man, woman or child could want. Plain Linen and Hemstitched Embroidered

5c to 50c each

Silk Scarfs

We have the prettiest and cheapest line in town. Plain, fancy and Persian Silks at.....

50c to \$ 50

Art Embroidery Pieces

We are showing for the Holidays, new Centerpieces, Doilies and Scarfs

25c to \$3.50

Christmas Linen

New Linen Damask and Napkins to match, which will make very acceptable gifts.

Counterpanes

Bought just for Christmas trade, in plain and fringed, with cut corners..

\$1.50 to \$5

BALTZER & DODDS DRY GOODS CO.

INCORPORATED

Public School Honor Roll.

The first examinations of Hickman College have just been held and report cards issued to all pupils above the second grade. It would be well for the parents to examine these cards thoroughly and see how their children are progressing in school.

The examinations reveal the following geniuses:

Seniors.

Miss Ola Monan.....96.4
Miss Virginia Royster.....91.2
Miss Blanche Helm.....85

Juniors.

Arnett Henderson.....96.4
Lon Naylor.....92.4
Nannie Smith.....85.4
Cecile Barnes.....82.5

Tenth Grade.

Lily Hackett.....97.7
Lillian Coffey.....97
Margaret Ridley.....96
Lewis Lunsford.....94.7
Sarah Winn McConnell.....94.7
Paul Choate.....94
Lula Shuff.....94

Ninth Grade.

Lizzie Pickett.....97.8
Fern Bryan.....97
Lu Etta Lunsford.....95.4
Dorcie Roach.....94.4
Cloris Ledford.....93.6
Lesta Pierce.....93.6

Eighth Grade.

Marshall McDaniel.....99.2
Baltzer Dodds.....98.4
Lexie Rice.....97.2
Aubra Townsend.....96.6
Guy Ledwidge.....91.6
Fain Routen.....89

Seventh Grade.

Milton Hackett.....96.6
Bessie Owens.....94.8
Olney Johnson.....87.2
Herbert Weatherly.....87.2
Emma Mayers.....87
Charles Lattus.....87

Sixth Grade.

Ward Seat.....95.6
Clardie Holland.....93.2
Lucile Barnes.....92.5
Vera Smith.....92.1
Henry Coffey.....90.5
Camille Barrett.....90
Florence Chetister.....90

Fifth Grade.

Mary Tempa Burnett.....97.4
Lucile Naylor.....94.5
Emma Monan.....93
Beatrice Gore.....91.6
Mamie Leet.....91.5
Robert Hughes.....91.2
Claude Owens.....91.2

Fourth Grade.

Anna Lynn Dodds.....97.3
Minnie Monan.....96
Helen Rice.....95
Anita R. Dodds.....93
Reeves Erwin.....92
Lois Choate.....91.5

Third Grade.

Cordie Ray.....97.8
May Hughes.....95.4
Richard Prather.....95.4
Cowgill Helm.....95
Annie Helm Ellison.....94.2
Lavelle Adams.....94
Inez Housley, later exam.....95

Call at the Hickman Furniture Co. for anything you want in furniture.

J. Calhoun, a well known farmer of near Union City, expects to move his family to Hickman in a short time and make this city his home. A sensible man.

Kentucky has a population of 2,289,965. Guessing contests as to the respective number of colonels, feudists, beautiful women and prohibitionists in the dark and bloody ground citizenry are now in order.—Chattanooga News.

Final Settlement.

All persons holding claims against the estate of Mary A. Powell, deceased, are hereby notified to present same, according to law, for allowance to the undersigned administrator on or before January 7th, 1911, or be forever barred.—ALLEN DAVIS, Administrator.

Toys at Berendes.

REAL ESTATE for sale. See M. B. Shaw.

Cowgill Rogers went to Crono, Mo. Saturday.

Sullivan Bros.—The Pants King Trousers, 50c up.

Mr. Fields, of Fulton, was here on business, Monday.

Percy Travis, of Martin, was here Saturday and Sunday.

J. T. Perkins, of Martin, was here Saturday on business.

Ira Green spent a few days last week near New Madrid.

John Hagan spent a few days here this week with his mother.

Ask for Omega Flour. None better.—Betterworth & Prather. x

WANTED: Two boarders.—Mrs. Geo. Meacham, Hickman, Ky.

The celebrated Mayfield Jeans at Sullivan Bros.—50c, 75c and \$1.

C. T. Bondurant was in Memphis first of the week on business.

Robt. DeBow spent Sunday with his parents near Union City.

C. T. Bondurant and wife returned Saturday from a trip to St. Louis.

E. A. Seamon, of New York, was here Saturday on business with the Mengel Box Co.

Mrs. Nannie Crawford and Miss Nannie Crawford, of Dorena, were here Saturday shopping.

Mrs. J. M. Reed returned Friday from a five weeks' visit to her brother and family, James Cooper, at Gordon, Texas.

Ed Morgan returned here Monday from Memphis to take his old position as assistant engineer on the Str. Mengel Box Co.

Mrs. T. A. Ledford, Mrs. H. C. Barrett, Mrs. B. F. Gabby and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Moore were in Union City Monday, shopping.

NEW HOLIDAY GOODS

Just Arrived at

E. R. Ellison's

CASH STORE

Several shipments of FANCY GOODS, DOLLS and TOYS just come in this week. This gives you an immense assortment of attractive Holiday merchandise to choose from at our

Low Prices

They are going fast.
Come Now and Look.

Phone 51 about your insurance.

Jodie Grant, of Mayfield, was here last week on business.

E. L. King and wife, of Clayton, spent several days last week with S. M. Naifeh and wife.

Miss Louise Cannon has returned to Como, Miss., after a visit with Miss Bonnie Carpenter.

Musical instruments of all kinds at Berendes.

Mrs. D. B. Wilson has returned after a short visit in Memphis.

Hollis Kirk went to New Madrid Friday, returning Saturday with Hugh Oliver, who had been at that place several days on business for the Mengel Box Co.

Only 8 More Shopping Days Before Xmas. Shop Early!

Dr. J. O. Stubbs
DENTIST
La Cade Building, over
Brevard's Store
Phone - No. 51

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"MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME"

Descriptive of Hickman

Note: The following sketch of Hickman, Ky., was written by Miss Emma Tyler, who has been a student at Stuart Hall, Staunton, Va., for the past two sessions. The article was prepared as a piece of class work, and was contributed to this paper by the English Department of that school.

Hickman, Ky., is neither a bustling modern city, with all the big interests of a big place, nor a small, sleepy but historic village, with its ties and associations with a leaf that is turned in our country's history. It has neither monuments, museums, and sky-scrapers—marks of our thriving present age—nor historic ancient buildings and relics—all that is left to mark a bygone time. It is only one of America's numerous small towns, one that would not be especially interesting to most people probably, but a most dear little town to me, for it is my home.

Any spot of his native heath is all that is beautiful and desirable to a Kentuckian, but I am sure that the site of Hickman is one of the most beautiful and most desirable spots in the entire "dark and bloody ground." It lies in the southwestern part of the state, on the shores of that "Father of Waters," the Mississippi, which makes the situation of the town desirable not only from a standpoint of beauty, but because by its annual overflow the river enhances the fertility and productiveness of the surrounding country to a remarkable degree. There is nothing that this loamy soil seems unable to grow, and the inhabitants of the county tell with a justifiable pride that more cotton is raised to the acre in Fulton county than in any other county in the United States. Extensive crops of wheat, corn, and alfalfa are gathered each year, while the uncut timberlands of cottonwood and ash are among the best to be found anywhere. The river also affords excellent facilities for trade, and much traffic is carried on by the large steamers that ply up and down from Minneapolis to New Orleans, carrying the produce of the whole Mississippi Valley.

Reelfoot Lake, one of the most wonderful of natural formations, is only twelve miles from Hickman. The lake was formed by a terrific earthquake in 1811, when after a series of shocks an immense track of both cultivated and forest lands was sunk below the average water level, making a lake which is now renowned for its hunting and fishing. Much dissension and strife has come up since whether the lake and the right to fish in it should be controlled by the state or by the owners of the sunken fields. This controversy alone was the immediate cause of the famous recent "night rider" troubles at Reelfoot, in which a prominent Tennessee lawyer lost his life.

If the whole country in its fertile, fruitful condition is green and beautiful, then certainly Hickman, the county-seat, is especially so. Built on

steep hills and craggy bluffs overhanging the river, it has the most picturesque appearance and has often been compared to a little Swiss village. Each street seems to be built above the other, on a separate hill, and the main streets are joined by long flight of steps, running up the steep banks, in order to lessen the exertion of hill-climbing for the wearied wayfarer. The hills alone give a charming appearance to the little town, but that which adds more than anything else is the view of the river from these hills and bluffs—a big, powerful, rushing stream of water—how beautiful it is glistening and sparkling in the sunlight; how magnificent and rich as the setting sun, like a huge red ball of fire, slowly sinks in the west and bathes it in a wondrous glow of purple and gold; how lovely as the rising moon peeps from behind some dark cloud and sends a broad stream of silver light across its shining waters! One can never realize the beauty and glory of "the great river" unless one has lived by it through all its seasons, and, year after year, has watched it in all its splendors.

The little town presents its most striking appearance when, as one comes around the bend in the river just below, it suddenly bursts upon him in all the picturesqueness of its situation. Impressed by this view, many travelers on their way up or down the river have stopped off in Hickman to try to find the secret of its beauty, restfulness, and quiet.

Naturally, in describing my home town as it is now, the thought occurs to me what did it look like when it was in the first stage of its development seventy-five years ago. I know, first of all, that the name was not the same for the little river settlement was called "Mills Point" for some time, and under this name became known as the shipping point of the surrounding country side. There were no railroads nearby in that day and the entire produce of the plantations round about was brought to the big wharf in the little town and sent up or down the river. There was an extremely large amount of produce shipped, too, especially cotton, for the planters round about knew how to till their rich acres. The country life on these big farms was especially attractive—to me no more charming state of existence could be imagined than the life of this country side. The master and mistress of each plantation vied with the others in extending hospitality and each big mansion was always full to overflowing with guests, for the entertaining of others was both a joy and a privilege. Each plantation was filled and cared for by its numerous slaves—not like the negro of today, but dear, faithful, honest black people who loved "massa" and "missus" and "de chillun" better than anything else on earth and who will always hold a very loving, tender spot in the hearts of all Southern people who knew them as they were. Everybody in those times was happy, carefree, and joyful, without a thought of the threatening war in

Joyful Christmas News

From Our Millinery Department



The Millinery Sale many have been waiting for starts next Saturday, the 17th, and continues until Christmas.

A most extraordinary opportunity to buy a stylish hat at about half what they usually sell for.

We do not carry millinery over, and expect to sell every hat regardless of cost. Our entire stock will go from

1-5 to less than 1-2

ACTUAL WORTH

You never before had such a chance to select from so large and stylish a stock at such price reductions.

Come early, the best styles always go first

— Smith & Amberg —

the future and the days were bright and full of happiness, as they always are before a storm.

But alas! in a very short time the storm descended in all its fury and, sweeping over the beautiful country side, brought havoc and destruction to take the place of the peace and plenty that had so abounded. Hickman was not the actual scene of any battle during the war, but both armies marched through several times, making the devastation more complete with each march. It was, however, quite near Belmont, Columbus and other important battlefields, and the heart-stricken wives and mothers, waiting in agonized suspense at home, could hear each boom of the cannon and realize that any moment loved ones might be dying on that field of blood and carnage. Berry, the famous guerilla, also made the vicinity of Hickman the scene of much of his slaughter and destruction. The people lived in terror of this lawless man and his band of criminals, who plundered, stole, and, if the occasion demanded it, even murdered. Being on the river, Hickman was open to the fusillade of the Union gunboats that seemed to take especial pleasure in firing on the women, children and darkies left in the defenseless little town, and the true story is 'old of how a beau-

tiful young girl, daughter of one of the prominent families, waved her beloved Confederate flag at the gun boats from a window near the river bank, with the result that they opened fire on the town and later took the girl and her young companions to the Federal Court at Paducah to be tried.

The Re-construction days in Kentucky were not so hard as those further south in Alabama, Mississippi and Georgia, and when once the war was over and our brave Southern men came back to build up their ruined homes, it was not long before the little town was restored to something very near, if not quite, its former beauty. As it grew up there were many additions to the old town—things unheard of in the former days. The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Rail Road made it the terminus of one of its most important branches, which, added to the facilities for trade on the river, gives it unusual advantages as a shipping point. Naturally, an extensive com-

merce sprang up and like every other small town it developed a "Main Street," but unlike every other little town its stores are large and city-like. An excellent public school was built, several large manufacturing plants were put in, and to accommodate the new population many new sections of the town were opened up. There are now eight churches, a Carnegie Library, a handsome new Court House that would be a pride to any larger town, an electric light and ice plant, one or two cotton gins, a box factory, a wagon factory, a cottonseed oil mill, a flouring mill, a good newspaper, two large banks, and—most remarkable in a small town—an opera house. But after all, in a great many ways, it is the same little town that it was long ago. There are the same old hills, the same broad river, the same large number of horses, dogs, and negroes, the same bright Kentucky sunshine, and the same Kentucky people.

The beauty and natural surroundings of a place naturally have much to do with its general attractiveness, but after all it is really the people who live in it who make it charming and attractive. This is the case with Hickman. Its general appearance would probably catch the eye, but it is the charm of its people that would hold the interest and excite

the admiration. Hickman people are renowned for their hospitality, as all true Kentuckians are. Like their ancestors on the big plantations, their chief pleasure is the entertaining of others, and the cordiality and charming unaffectedness of manner always impresses a stranger who is visiting the little town with the feeling that he is not only most welcome but that he is giving others pleasure by the very fact of his being there, and he goes away no longer a stranger but a real friend to all, loving the place more than ever, and with the knowledge that for him the "latchstring is always on the outside." Even the soft, sweet breezes of Hickman have a strange, fascinating influence which has never yet failed to capture the heart of a visitor.

Another characteristic of Hickman life is the unbounded love of pleasure and the care-free, happy natures of the people. Although most of the men have enormous business cares and the women household responsibilities, nevertheless the majority never seem to be weighed down or depressed by cares and their bright sunny dispositions will not permit of such things as "the blues." Each has a merry word for the other, every one is kindly and sympathetically interested in every one else's joys, pleasures or sorrows, and alas! I must admit it, everybody knows everybody else's business! Although pleasure is not exactly put before business, it nevertheless goes hand in hand with it, and in a simple, delightful form it certainly abounds in Hickman.

One other thing that I admire so much in these dear people of mine is their kind-heartedness, generosity, and charity. Sometimes when by chance I see or hear of the things they have done, for they never tell of their noble deeds and even make light in speaking of them, I really wonder if the hearts of all Hickman people are not made of gold. Above all things they are honorable in every sense of the word, for they believe firmly that a gentleman is not a gentleman without unsullied and unstained honor. Chivalry, as in the days of old, exists in its purest form, and womanhood is held sacred and honored in a way beautiful to see. A beautiful tribute is paid the South by the great love they bear the land of their birth and the country of their ancestors. To them the word South means home and all that is dear to them. Yet in their tender loving memories of the "Lost Cause" and their devotion to the sunny "Dixie Land" they are nearly all broad-minded and liberal enough not to be unduly prejudiced against the North, and as an old Colonel I once knew said, "her good, but misguided sons."

But I shall not go on commenting on the things I love in Hickman and probably boring those who are not interested in the account of another person's home. I shall stop with this imperfect account of my home people and be contented if I have made you see one-half the loveliness and charm of the place that I see, and if I have shown you that one of America's small towns can have attractive and distinctive characteristics. If you are not yet convinced, however, let me take you away with me to that little town beside "the great river," and it will at once capture your heart and show you for yourselves that, "be it ever so humble," there is no place like "My Old Kentucky Home."

—Emma French Tyler.

Stuart Hall, Staunton, Va., December 1, 1910.

Special bargains in all kinds of holiday goods at Benerdes. Don't buy until you have seen our line.



Cowgill's Drug Store

Try Our
FRESH MEATS
C. H. MOORE
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Nature's own ready relief for coughs, colds, wheezing, bronchitis and lung ailments. Nothing else quite so good, so sure, or so quick. Cheap enough.

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H. E. CURLIN.

Conference Dates.

Quarterly Conference dates for this district are as follows:
 Martin Station—Preaching Dec. 11.
 Conference Jan. 13.
 Union City Circuit—Salem, Dec. 17 and 18.
 Union City Station—Dec. 18 and 19.
 Obion Circuit—Rives, Dec. 21 and 25.
 Ralston Circuit—Fisgah, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.
 Sharon Circuit—Travis Jan. 7 and 8.
 Sharon and Vernon—Sharon, Jan. 8 and 9.
 Martin Circuit—Freman, Jan. 14-15.
 Greenfield Station—Jan. 15 and 16.
 Troy Circuit—Troy, Jan. 17 and 18.
 Moscow Circuit—Moscow, Jan. 21 and 22.
 Cayce Circuit—Cayce, Jan. 22-23.
 Crystal Circuit—West Hickman, Jan. 28 and 29.
 Hickman Station—Jan. 29 and 30.
 Water Valley Circuit—Water Valley Feb. 4 and 5.
 Fulton Station—Feb. 5 and 6.
 Fulton Circuit—Boaz, Feb. 11 and 12.
 South Fulton at Walnut Grove, on Feb. 12 and 13.
 Columbus Station—Feb. 18 and 19.
 Kenton and Rutherford—Kenton on Feb. 19 and 20.
 W. A. Freeman, P. E.

WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS.

Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pain in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you.—Hickman Drug Co. Price 50c.

Next week the last Courier for 1910 will be printed, taking our usual Christmas vacation. The paper will go to press Wednesday instead of Thursday. All announcements, news items, etc., must be gotten in earlier to insure publication.

Obion county loses one of her best and most substantial citizens this week in the moving of Mr. Cage Hale to Hickman. Mr. Hale has purchased 425 acres of that fine farming land in the valley behind the levee and below Hickman.—Union City News-Banner.

Pictures at Berendes.

STOVES—St. Louis Fur. Co.

Its about time for another fire. Let Kennedy write you some insurance today.

If Kentucky is to lose one Congressman under the new census, by all means let us lose Caleb Powers.

Union City is to have a new postmaster, A. D. Kellar who succeeds G. T. Taylor. Taylor has held the place for thirteen years.

Walter Lucas, aged 40, died on Thursday, Dec. 2, 1910, at his brother's home in Obion county and was buried the following day at Pleasant Hill.

Judge Felix W. Moore, of Union City, will be an applicant for a position on the supreme bench to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Judge Beard.



TO get a true conception of the great line of Holiday Goods we carry, a personal visit is advisable. We have spared neither time nor money to make our store the Mecca for Gift Seekers. We assure you in advance of your visit that every possible courtesy and attention will be paid you whether you buy or not. Our 1910 stock is too large and varied to enumerate, but we can please you in anything in

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Western Kentucky



Christmas Eve

Christmas eve! And a blustery night—
 Snow-flurries almost blinding the sight;
 Eddying winds shift to and fro
 And toss from the chimneys smoke-clouds low.

On the street is heard a noisy throng
 Of pleasure-bent shoppers, hurrying along.
 Laden with bundles and baskets and toys
 To gladden the hearts of girls and boys.

Let the wintry winds moan on, and sigh
 Through the forests, and sing their lullaby;
 'Neath holly-wreathed branch and mistletoe
 I rest and sleep while the tempests blow.

Christmas eve! And the sound of bell,
 Yuletide harmonies, break and swell,
 And sing of a Babe in Bethlehem,
 Born in a manger—Saviour of men!
 —E. A. FERGUSON.



CURIOUS CHRISTMAS DISHES

Curious Christmas dishes, unfamiliar to Londoners, are by no means out of date in various parts of the country. In Derbyshire, for instance, there is the delicacy, always made on Christmas eve, called "black ball," which is especially appreciated by the younger members of the community. "Black ball" is made of black treacle and sugar boiled together in a pan. While the mixture is boiling, a little flour and grated ginger or spices are added. When thoroughly boiled, it is poured into a large shallow dish, and, when sufficiently cooled, is cut into squares and lengths, which are rolled or molded into various shapes. When quite cool the "black ball" is very hard, but is declared by connoisseurs to be decidedly toothsome.

In Cornwall, again, it is the orthodox practise in most households on Christmas eve to make a batch of currant cake colored and flavored with saffron, according to western custom, with a "Christmas" on the top of each cake. The adornment so called is a small portion of the dough in the center of the top pulled up and made into the form of a miniature cake, resting on the larger one beneath. It is the custom for each person to have his or her own special cake, and everyone is supposed to take a small piece of every other person's cake; but none of the batch must be cut until Christmas day.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

A Former Citizen

After several months' illness of complicated diseases, Captain John J. Young, 67 years old, a well known pilot on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, died Thursday morning at 3:35 o'clock at his home in Paducah.

Captain Young was born in Hardin county. For many years he lived at Hickman. He was in the grocery and other business for a number of years. About 15 years ago he moved to Paducah where he has since made his home. For several years he was in charge of the pilot house of the Illinois Central railroad transfer boats between Paducah and Brookport. He was well known by many river men on the Mississippi and its tributaries.

For some years his health had been failing but it was only during the last few weeks that his condition had been serious.

Surviving him are his wife, one daughter, Miss Rozella Young, of Paducah, and one son, J. A. Young of West Virginia. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Knights of Honor lodge.

The funeral services were held Thursday night at 9 o'clock at his residence in Paducah, Rev. P. B. Johnson, of the Methodist Church, officiating. The body was brought to Hickman Friday morning and funeral services were held. Burial at City cemetery.

Fifty-cent neckties for 25c. Why not make twice as many gifts for the same money? Sullivan Bros.

Some hotel changes are slated for Jan. 1st, in Hickman.

GOOD NEWS

Many Hickman Readers Have Heard It and Profited Thereby.

"Good news travels fast," and the thousands of bad back sufferers in Hickman are glad to learn that prompt relief is within their reach. Many a lame, weak and aching back is bad no more, thanks to Doan's Kidney Pills. Our citizens are telling the good news of their experience with the Old Quaker Remedy. Here is an example worth reading.

J. A. Eledge, Ellison st., Hickman, Ky., says: "It would be impossible for me to fully express my thanks to Doan's Kidney Pills for the benefit they brought me. I suffered from pains in my back and had frequent headaches. When being bothered in that way, Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention and I procured a supply at Helm & Ellison's Drug Store. They freed my back from pain and stopped the other annoyances in a short time."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co. Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

C. M. Yates, the popular shingle man, has abandoned his intention of moving to Mississippi and will remain in Hickman. He has purchased 320 acres of fine timber land from the Singer people, and will continue to manufacture his famous dimension shingles.

A school of telegraphy will be opened in Union City the first Monday in next month.



Expet Engravers...

We have secured, at great expense, the services of an expert engraver for the Holidays. All goods bought of us will be engraved FREE OF CHARGE, but we cannot possibly do outside engraving from the first of Dec. until the week after Christmas.

Only One More Week Until Christmas

It is time to be choosing Christmas presents right now. Don't wait until everybody is in a rush and stocks are picked over. Come now while we have time to help you make your selections. And if we haven't what you want we will still have time to order it for you.

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JUDGE WISE.
Business Philosopher.

"Trouble never tries to dodge those who do not try to dodge it," says the Judge. "But all your troubles over drugs and prescriptions may be easily dodged by going to The Hickman Drug Co."

of trouble succeeded in getting into the dry substitutes. Then they lowered the wet bundles into the water and quietly stole off through the brush to the king's highway, a mile or two above town.

"We take this path here for the upper road," finally said Hobbs. "It's a good two hours' walk up the mountain to Rabet's, where we get the horses."

At 4 o'clock, as the sun reached up with his long red fingers from behind the Monastery mountain, Truxton King and Hobbs rode away from Rabet's cottage high in the hills, refreshed and sound of heart. Rabet's son rode with them, a sturdy, loyal lad, who had leaped joyously at the chance to serve his prince.

Now let us turn to John Tullis and his quest in the hills. It goes without saying that he found no trace of his sister or her abductors. On the fifth day a large force of Dawsbergen soldiers, led by Prince Dantan himself, found the fagged, dispirited American and his half-starved men encamped in a rocky defile in the heart of the wilderness.

That same night a Graustark mountaineer passed the sentinels and brought news of the disturbance in Edelweiss.

In a flash it occurred to John Tullis that Marlanx was at the bottom of this deviltry. The abduction of Lorraine was a part of his plan! Prince Dantan advised a speedy return to the city. His men were at the command of the American. Moreover, the prince himself decided to accompany the troops.

Before sunrise the command, now five or six hundred strong, was picking its way down the dangerous mountain roads toward the main highway. Fifteen miles below Edelweiss they came upon the company of soldiers sent out to preserve order in the railroad camps, which was, of course, a

further re-enforcement.

The sound of shooting in the distance struck their ears. Instantly the entire force was alert. A dozen shots were fired in rapid succession, then single reports far apart. The steady beat of horses' feet were now plain to the attentive company. There was a quick, incisive call to arms. A squad stood ready for action.

A small group of horsemen came thundering down the defile. Three minutes after the firing was first heard sentries threw their rifles to their shoulders and blocked the approach of the riders.

A wild, glad shout went up from the foremost horseman. He had pulled his beast to its haunches almost at the muzzle of the guns.

"Tullis!" he shouted, waving his hat.

John Tullis ran toward the excited group in the road. He saw three men, one of whom was shouting his name with all the power in his lungs.

"Thank God, we've found you!" cried the horseman.

"King!" exclaimed Tullis, suddenly recognizing him. A moment later they were clasping hands.

"What has happened, King? Where have you been? We looked for you after your disappearance."

"That's ancient history," interrupted the other. "How soon can you get these troops on the march? There's not a moment to be lost."

"Good glory, man, tell me what it is! What has happened? The prince—what of him?" cried Tullis, grasping King's arm in the clutch of a vise.

"He sends his love and rescinds the order of exile," said King, smiling, then seriously: "Marlanx has taken the city. It was all a game, this getting rid of you. The prince and the others are besieged in the castle. Thank God, we got to you in time! Back here a couple of miles we came upon a small gang of robbers. We had a bit of shooting, and I regret to say, no one was bagged."

"Lorraine—where is she, King?" "Don't tremble like that, old man. She's safe enough in the castle. Oh, it was a fine game Marlanx had in his mind!"

While the troopers were making ready for the march Truxton King and Hobbs related their story to eager, horrified groups of officers. Finally the battalion, augmented by the misguided company from the de-

serted railroad camps, moved swiftly into the defile, led by young Rabet. Truxton King rode beside the brother of the girl he loved, uttering words of cheer and encouragement.

"The Countess Ingomede—has anything been heard from her?" asked Tullis. He had been thinking of her for days and nights.

"Well, nothing definite," said King evasively.

CHAPTER XIX. THE RETURN.

FROM the highlands below the Monastery Captain Haas and his men were able to study the situation in the city. The impracticability of an assault on any one of the stubborn, well-guarded gates was at once recognized. A force of 700 men, no matter how well trained or how determined, could not be expected to surmount walls that had often withstood the attack of as many thousands. The wisdom of delaying until a few thousand loyal though poorly armed countrymen could be brought into play against the city appeared at once to Prince Dantan and John Tullis.

Squads of men were sent without delay into the hills and valleys to call the panic-stricken, wavering farmers into the fold. John Tullis headed the company that struck off into the well-populated Ganlook district.

Marlanx, as if realizing the nature of the movement in the hills, began a furious assault on the gates leading to the castle. The watchers in the hills could see as well as hear the conflict that raged almost at their feet, so to speak.

The next morning Captain Haas announced to his followers that Marlanx had begun to shell the castle. Big guns in the fortress were hurling great shells over the city, dropping them in the park. On the other hand, Colonel Quinnox during the night had swung three Gatling guns to the top of the wall; they were stationed at intervals along the wall, commanding every point from which an assault might be expected.

That night recruits from the farms and villages began to straggle into the camp. They were armed with rifles, ordinary shotguns and unique blunderbusses, swords, staves and aged lances. All were willing to die in the service of the little prince. By the close of the second day nearly 3,000 men were encamped above the city. Late that night John Tullis rode into camp at the head of a great company from the Ganlook province. He had retaken the town of Ganlook, seized the fortress and recruited the entire fighting strength of the neighborhood. More than that, he had unlimbered and conveyed to the provisional camp two of the big guns that stood above the gates at the fortress.

Marlanx trained two of his big guns on the camp in the hills. From the

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Notices will be mailed you with statements of account or note, and if not paid promptly, will be placed in hands of officers for collection.

J. F. & S. L. Dodds Co.

Don't fail to devote a few minutes of your time to reading the Christmas announcements in this paper. They will make your holiday shopping easy.

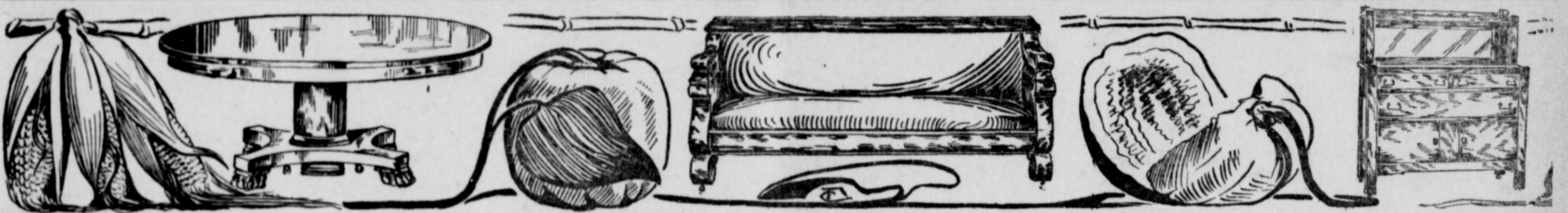
OUR ADVERTISERS are respectfully requested to get their copy in not later than Tuesday during the remainder of this month. We cannot guarantee its insertion unless this is observed.—The Courier.

Deep-seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of BALLARD'S HORE HOUND SYRUP you get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a HERRICK'S RED PEPPER PORUS PLASTER for the chest, free with each bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

CHRISTMAS POST CARDS, a very handsome line ranging from 1c to 10c each.—Helm & Ellison.

Engraved
Calling Cards,
Wedding
Invitations, &c.

At Courier Office.
See samples.



THIS big store carries stocks for furnishing the home from garret to basement in a complete and up-to-date manner, but we desire to call special attention at this time to articles appropriate for Christmas Givings. Select them early and we shall be glad to deliver goods on the day you suggest.

TWO DOZEN SUGGESTIONS FOR SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Sideboards	Acme Safes	Iron Beds	Brass Beds	Framed Pictures	Handsome Mirrors
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Dining Tables	Writing Desks	Clock Shelves	Chifforobes	Dressing Tables	Princess Dressers

OUR MOTTO--Quick Sales and Small Profits

OPEN EVERY NIGHT

St. Louis Furnishng Company

New Steam Laundry,

As briefly mentioned in last week's Courier, A. E. Kennedy and Oco Harris, two of our wide-awake young business men, will start a steam laundry in Hickman just as quick as they can get things in readiness. It might be added that they just did make the announcement in time to head off John Adams, who has also been figuring on starting a laundry for several weeks.

Friday afternoon Kennedy & Harris closed a deal with W. J. Barry for his two story building, joining the Courier office on the west. The price paid was \$2,850. Their new possession is certainly the best building in town for the purpose, being large and centrally located.

Sunday night Messrs. Kennedy & Harris left for Paducah to purchase such machinery as will be necessary for their equipment. This will arrive in a very short time. Preliminary work, such as concreting, etc., will begin this week, so that there will be no delays. All the equipment will be brand new, and only the best will be bought.

They expect to be in running order not later than Feb. 1st. Mr. Owens, a practical laundryman, of Fulton, now connected with the Fulton Steam Laundry, will have charge of the mechanical end of the new laundry. He is said to be one of the best men in the state in his line. The laundry will also furnish employment for about ten or twelve other people, most of which will be girls.

The management informs us that they will do a general laundry business, and will make a specialty of family washing at pound rates. Their wagon will call for and deliver laundry at such times as will be most convenient for their patrons. At the start, two washings will be done each week; if the trade necessitates it, more can be done.

Indications are indeed propitious for the success of this venture. People who have encountered the "washerwoman's trust" in Hickman are enthusiastic over the prospects for a laundry. For several weeks it has been next to impossible to get family washing done at any old price. To say the least, this has been very annoying.

Messrs. Kennedy and Harris deserve the support of our people, and we believe, if we may judge from what folks say, that they are going to get it. Unsolicited, folks are daily promising the new laundry their business and offering their support.

We believe this is a good business proposition and that it will be a success from the word go. Hickman certainly needs the laundry and with two energetic young fellows on the head of it, it should be easy sailing.

Special Clubbing Offers.

The Courier has made a clubbing arrangement with all the leading publications in the U. S., and can save our readers on any of them. Nothing better for a Christmas gift than some of these high-class periodicals, and they are always welcome visitors during the long winter months. Below we give a few of those that will make your selection easy. Please remember these prices are positively cash, and will only be sold with the Hickman Courier. Prices quoted are for a year's subscription to the Courier and the publication named:

Hickman Courier

Woman's National Daily\$1.75
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Weekly Courier Journal 1.50
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American Magazine 2.00
American Poultry Advocate 1.35
American Fruit Grower 1.65
Outing Magazine 3.10
Southland Magazine 2.00
Taylor-Trotwood Magazine 2.00
Collier's Weekly 5.30
Coleman's Rural World 1.65
Outlook Magazine 3.75
Human Life 1.70
Review of Reviews 2.50
Smart Set 2.75
Ladies Home Journal 2.50
Saturday Evening Post 2.50
Woman's Magazine 1.35

If you do not see what you want in this list, call at our office; we have hundreds of others. Write name and address plainly with your order, specifying exactly the periodicals.

Should you want more than one paper besides the Courier take \$1.00 from the price of each extra periodical.

cal. Thus: The Woman's National Daily and Hickman Courier costs \$1.75. If you want the Commercial Appeal also, add 25c, making a total of \$2 for the three papers.

A Few Dont's.

Dont ask the editor to publish a list of wedding gifts.

Dont add to the terrors of death by tacking several stanzas of doggerly to a death notice. Dont crowd the

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C. H. MOORE FRUITS

mourners.

Dont lug old clippings into a newspaper office and tell the editor that you have brought him "something to fill up with." Better take him a cabbage if you really want him to "fill up."

Dont kick a man when he is down unless you are so cussed mean you can't help it.

Dont put lard on a man's shoes when you see him "going down a hill," for they are always greased for the occasion.

Dont pray with a hungry man until you have given him something to eat, for prayers to him without pork are not worth a cuss.

Dont gad about town all week discussing other people's faults and on Sunday seat yourself in the amon corner, unless you are seeking a Pullman ticket to Hades.

J. J. Hill, the financial and rail road king, predicts a financial crisis and much disturbance in commercial circles due to extravagance. He argues that the immense investments in ship-building is without reason and counts so much taken from the circulation for commercial circles. The Panama Canal is another drain on our resources.

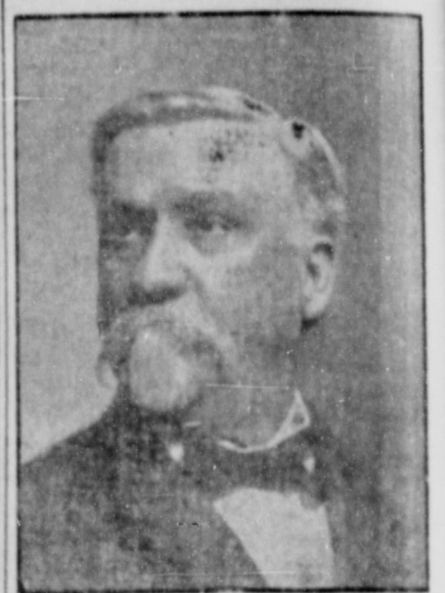
Dont put off doing your Christmas shopping too long and wait until everything is picked over. If you want good goods for little money patronize those who advertise in the Courier.

Wants to be Governor.

Paducah, Ky., Nov. 30, 1910.
Hickman Courier,
Hickman, Ky.

Gentlemen: I suppose you are aware of the fact that I am a candidate for Governor of Kentucky. I have not yet had the pleasure of visiting your city, though I have many friends and acquaintances in that town and county. I contemplate making a pretty thorough canvass of the state but before leaving my Congressional District, I shall visit all of the counties within it, and, of course am exceedingly anxious to have the solid support of the district behind me.

This district, although it has been for years an important factor in the election of democratic officials, has never had a nominee for the office of Governor. Our people have complained frequently they were not re-



John K. Hendrick, of Paducah

ognized, and yet, when they have had an opportunity to force the desired recognition, they, for some cause, have not stood together.

If you will turn your eyes to the map of Kentucky, you will note at a glance, that the counties of Fayette, Woodford and Madison adjoin each other, and are not much larger as to territory, than the county of Graves, and yet for 18 years, they had Mr. Blackburn in the Senate from Woodford, at the same time Mr. Dick from Fayette and Mr. McCreary has likewise represented the district in Congress, for 16 years; in the Senate for 12 years, besides being four years Governor of Kentucky; so at least it cannot be regarded as immodest for the Gibraltar democratic district of the state, to ask at the hands of a party, recognition in the course of a lifetime, etc."

Fought, Married, Fined.

Fought, married and fined in 12 hours is the pace set by Simon Young a young man residing in West Hickman.

Friday morning Young and Dave Pearson engaged in a fistic encounter in front of the ice plant, the trouble being the outcome of Young either kicking or stepping on Mr. Pearson's dog. Jas. Darnell, a friend of Young's, also took part in the fight. When the finish came, Pearson had been dealt a blow that broke off three of his front teeth.

The difficulty did not hinder Young from looking after his matrimonial plans, but did possibly cause a slight delay. As the big city clock tolled out the hour of midnight, Mr. Young and Miss Pearl Harte heard Judge Naylor pronounce the words that made them man and wife, the ceremony taking place at the residence of the judge. The bride is the charming daughter of Henry Harte, of West Hickman, and is well known in that section of the city. The groom, who had such an eventful day, is the son of W. S. Young, the West Hickman grocerman.

At 7:30 Saturday morning the combatant and benedict appeared in police court, plead guilty of disturbing the peace, and Judge Romley fined him the minimum of \$5 and costs, and extended his congratulations and best wishes to the groom. Jas. Darnell was also fined for the same amount.

The Courier also extends Mr. and Mrs. Young best wishes, with the hope that the storm has passed and that all may be serene in the future.

Save from \$1 to \$2 a thousand and get a better shingle direct from our mill.—Yates & Kirk Shingle Co.

A few more fine sample overcoats, regular \$12 values, will be sold at \$7.50. All \$10 overcoats at \$6 this week.—Sullivan Bros.

"Sure; we carry a big line of men's underwear. Regular \$1 values at 90c. Better grades if you want them.—Sullivan Bros.

SANTA CLAUS now has full possession of the entire Bargain Section at E. R. ELLISONS CASH STORE

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Collars, Scarfs, Mufflers
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Sweater Coats, Veils, Furs
Gloves, Rugs, Pictures
Mirrors, Box Paper, Pipes
Smokers' Outfit, Jewelry Novelties
Pins, Brooches, Brilliant Hat Pins
Cuff Buttons, Jewel Boxes
Watches and Clocks, Vases
Fine Imported China Pieces
Japanese Chinaware
Cut Glass Novelties
Plates, Cups and Saucers
Bowls, Plaques, Collar Boxes
Handkerchief Boxes
Fancy Boxes, Pin Cushions
Crystal Pieces

You will have to come and look to get any idea of the immense variety to choose from.

Pure, Fresh Candies 10c the pound and 10c the half pound

Holly Boxes, Christmas Tags and Seals

Come and look as often as you like, stay as long as you like and make us show you.



GIFT GOODS

—FOR—

Children

Innumerable new things in Toys, Dolls, etc., at prices you would never expect to get them for.

Toy Furniture, Doll Chairs
Doll Beds, Trunks, Suit Cases
Pastry and Laundry Sets
Toy Pianos, Toy Guns
Air Guns, Pistols, Drums
Toy Wagons, Tool Chests, Carts
Iron Toys, Automobiles, Trains
Friction Toys, Stoves, Banks
Musical Toys, Horns, Whistles
Animals, Balls, Kitchen Sets
Tea Sets, Enameled Dishes
Watches, Mechanical Toys
Automobiles, Air Ships
Flying Machines, Paint Boxes
Moving Picture Machines
Rubber Toys, Masks, Games
Musical Instruments

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beings. It is impossible to resist continued kindness. We may in a moment of petulance or passion, manifest coldness to the exhibition of good will on the part of the new acquaintance; but let him persist, let him continue to prove himself really benevolent of heart, generously and kindly disposed, and we will find our stubborn nature giving way, even unconsciously to ourselves. If this be the result of kindness among comparative strangers, how much more certain and delightful will be the exercise of the feelings at home, within the charmed circle of friends and relatives? Home enjoyments, home affections, home courtesies, cannot be too carefully or studiously cultivated. They form the sunshine of the heart. They bless and sanctify our private circle. They become a source of calm delight to the man or business after a day of toil, they teach the merchant, the trader, the working man, that there is something purer, more precious even, than the gains of industry. They twine themselves around the heart, call forth its best and purest emotions and resources, enable us to be more virtuous, more upright, more Christian, in all our relations of life. We see in the little beings around us the elements of fidelity and religion. A day of toil is robbed of many of its cares by the thought that in the evening we may return home and mingle with the family household

of healthfulness.

But these trouble borrowers are always expecting disorders of every kind—and if they do not actually come, they are sick all the same—of disappointment.

Thousands of people are dying every year of this constant suspicion of their health, while others settle down into a gloomy state from forebodings of trouble to come. They do not know why it is they are always expecting something to happen. A bird flies in at the window, a salt cellar upsets on the table, a cricket chirps on the hearth, they shiver and actually expect a messenger to rush in with evil tidings.

What good does fretting do? It increases only with indulgence, like anger or appetite. It endangers one's temper, excites unpleasant feelings toward everybody and confuses the mind. It affects the whole person, unfitting one for the proper completion of the work the trifling interruption or disturbance of which started the fretful life.

Suppose things go wrong today; the "tomorrows" are coming in which to try again, and the thing is not worth clouding your own spirit and those around you, injuring yourself and others physically—for the mind affects the body—for such a trifle.

A Beautiful Life.

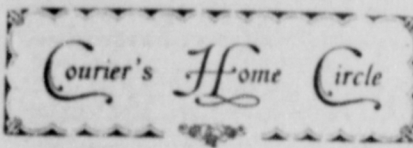
A beautiful life is an honest life. A life of truthfulness, of nobility of the soul and a life of devotion to our loved ones here and to God, is but a river running with rapidity, onward, onward, ever on. It runs, alas! too swiftly. We have not one moment in

Gift Candies

FRESH FOR THE HOLIDAYS. Advance samples of Xmas Candy Offerings are being displayed at our store. COME IN NOW and make your selections in comfort before the "rush" commences. If we book your order NOW, remember we fill it the day before Xmas from fresh stocks. THE FINEST CONFECTIONS—we have chosen our Gift Candies with the utmost care from the choicest offering of America's foremost candy makers—NUNNALLY'S—experts in the art of making delicious sweets. A beautiful showing of Gift Packages. Let us show you samples.

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At a recent ministerial convention one of the preachers suggested that it wouldn't be a bad idea to have a ser-

mon occasionally on the recognition of friends on earth. He said many people were so taken up with the good time they expected to have in the sky they forgot to be sociable here. His head was level, and we hope his sensible words will be about the same as putting another stove in every church.

Kindness.

There is nothing like kindness in the world. It is the very principle of love; an emanation of the heart which softens and gladdens, and should be inculcated and encouraged in all our intercourse with our fellow

Borrowing Trouble.

Of all the absurdities extant, surely to "borrow trouble" is the greatest.

The trouble borrowers have no enjoyment; it seems as though the word was omitted from their vocabulary, their life being one ceaseless moan, an onstant looking forward to that impending doom which is to overtake them.

If a cyclone suddenly springs up a cyclone may be expected—all indications of the weather prophet notwithstanding—or does the sky become overcast, a thunderstorm is at hand.

Then there are various domestic forebodings, from a mild to a severe form—probably a case of measles in the next square, another case of whooping-cough in the next street.

There is a large class of people in constant trouble and anxiety about their health, although the same amount of strength in a cheerful person would be taken as an indication

Santa Claus WILL SOON BE ON THE JOB



again. How are you fixed to receive him. He likes to see things in ship shape and if there is anything about the house or out buildings that needs attention better come and get the lumber and get busy. We will help along by making delivery at once whether your order be little or much.

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fortress he threw many times toward their place of shelter. They did no damage; instead of death, they brought only laughter to the scornful camp. Under cover of night the two Ganlock cannons were planted in a position commanding the southeastern city gate. It was the plan of the new besiegers to bombard this gate, tearing it to pieces with shot.

The knowledge that Marlanx had no big guns except those stationed in the fortress was most consoling to Tullis and his friends. He could not destroy the castle gates with shells, except by purest chance. He could drop shells into the castle, but to hit a gate twenty feet wide? Never!

Truxton King was growing haggard from worry and loss of sleep. He could not understand the abominable, criminal procrastination. He was of a race that did things with a dash and on the spur of the moment. His soul sickened day by day. John Tullis, equally unhappy, but more philosophical, often found him seated upon a rock at the top of the ravine, an unlighted pipe in his fingers, his eyes intent upon the lazy castle.

"Cheer up, King. Our time will come," he was wont to say.

Then came the night before the proposed assault on the gates. The guns were in position, and the cannonading was to begin at daybreak. Truxton was full of the bitterness of doubt and misgiving. Was she in love with Vos Engo? Was the count's suit progressing favorably under the fire of the enemy? Was his undoubted bravery having its effect upon the wavering susceptibilities of the distressed Loraine?

The sound of a voice in sharp command attracted his attention. There was a bright moon, and Truxton could see other pickets hurrying to join the first. A few moments later several trespassers were escorted through the lines and taken directly to headquarters—a man and two women, King observed.

John Tullis was staring hard at the group approaching from the roadway. One woman walked ahead of her companions. Suddenly he sprang forward with a cry of amazement.

It was the Countess Ingomede. Her arrival created a sensation. In a moment she was in the center of an amazed circle of men. Tullis, after his first low, eager greeting at the edge of the fire circle, drew her near to the warmth giving flames. Prince Danton and Captain Haas threw rugs and blankets in a great heap for her to sit upon. Every one was talking at once. The countess was smiling through her tears. "Make room for my maid and her father. They are colder and more fatigued than I," she said, lifting her tired, glorious eyes to John Tullis, who stood beside her. "We have come from Balak. They suffered much that I might enjoy the slender comforts I was so ready to share with them."

"Thank God, you are here!" he said in low, intense tones. She could not mistake the fervor in his voice nor the glow in his eyes.

"I knew you were here, John. I am not going back to Count Marlanx. It is ended."

"I knew it would come, Ingomede. You will let me tell you how glad I am some day."

"Some day, when I am truly, wholly free from him, John. I know what you will say, and I think you know what I shall say in reply." Both understood and were exalted. No other word passed between them touching upon the thing that was uppermost in their minds.

Food was provided for the wayfarers, and Tullis' tent was made ready for the countess and her maid. The countess' story was soon told. Sitting before the great fire, surrounded by eager listeners, she related her experiences.

She had been seized on the night of the ball as she strolled across her father's garden, and when she had

come possible only through the aid of Joseph and the girl's father. Farmers' wives told them of the newly formed army and of its leaders. She determined to make her way to the camp of those who would destroy her husband, eager to give them any assistance that her own knowledge of Marlanx's plans might provide.

One bit of information she gave created no end of consternation among the would-be deliverers of the city. It had the effect of making them all the more resolute; the absolute necessity for immediately regaining control in the city was forced upon them. She told them that Count Marlanx had lately received word that the Grand Duke Paulus was likely to intervene before many days, acting on his own initiative, in the belief that he could force the government of Graustark to grant the railway privileges so much desired by his country. Marlanx realized that he would have to forestall the wily grand duke. If he were in absolute control of the Graustark government when the Russian appeared he, and he alone, would be in a position to deal with the situation.

"The grand duke may send a large force of men across the border at any time," said the countess in conclusion. "Count Marlanx is sure to make a decisive assault as soon as he hears that the movement has begun. He had hopes of starving them out, thus saving the castle from destruction, but as that seems unlikely his shells will soon begin to rain in earnest upon the dear old pile."

Truxton King was listening with wide open ears. As she finished this dreary prediction he silently arose to his feet and, without a word to any one, stalked off in the darkness. Tullis looked after him and shook his head sadly.

"I'll be happy on that fellow's account when daybreak comes and we are really at it," he said to Prince Danton, who knew something of King's affliction.

But Truxton King was not there at daybreak. When he strode out of the camp that night he left it behind forever.

The unfortunate lack of means to communicate with the occupants of the castle had been the source of great distress to Captain Haas. If the defenders could be informed as to the exact hour of the assault from the outside they could do much toward its speedy success by making a force sortie from behind their own walls. A quick dash from the castle grounds would serve to draw Marlanx's attention in that direction, diminishing the force that he would send to check the onslaught at the gates.

Truxton King had all this in mind as he swung off down the mountain road, having stolen past the sentries with comparative ease. The danger from Marlanx's scouts outside the city was not great; they had been scattered and beaten by Haas' recruiting parties. He stood in more danger from the men he would help, they who were the watchful defenders of the castle.

It must have been 2 o'clock when he crossed the king's highway, a mile or more above the northern gates, and struck down into the same thick undergrowth that had protected him and Hobbs on a memorable night not long before.

Continued next week.

Masonic Notice.

Members of Hickman Lodge No. 761, F. & A. M., are hereby notified to meet at the Masonic Hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, at 6:30 sharp, for the purpose of attending en masse St. John's Day services at the Episcopal Church. Following the church service, a banquet and annual election of officers will be held at the hall.

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She promptly then began to cry,
And he said things he shouldn't.

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Her husband dug up thirty-five—
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A CHANGE of MIND



I used to think it would be great
To grow up to be president
And safely hold the helm of state
No matter how the old ship went.
I used to think it would be fine
Some day to fill that honored chair—
But the digestion that is mine
Can't do what 'twould be called to bear.

When presidents were not required
To eat all folks could broil or bake,
To vow they never could grow tired
Of 'possum, 'coon and johnnycake,
Of alligator, crocodile,
Of ostrich eggs and all the rest.
Why, then the job was worth one's while
And for it one might do his best.

But nowadays a president
Is always cleaning off his plate
Which is heaped high to represent
The hunger of a certain state,
And though the dish they serve to him
May be a fine one, I suppose
He must reflect with doubting grim
That after all nobody knows.

I should not care to go somewhere
To dine, and through the table chat
Perplexedly muse if the fare
Were eagle, crocodile or rat.
I should not like to have them gaze
Until I choked it down my throat,
Knowing that any doubts I'd raise
Would influence the next year's vote.

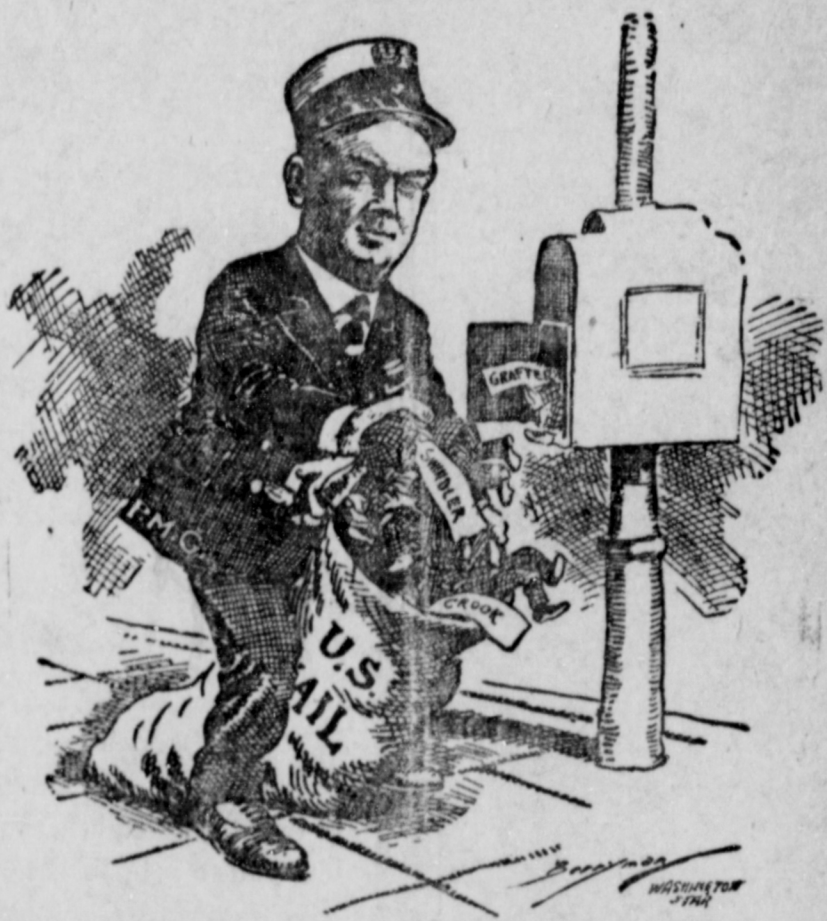
I used to think it would be grand
To grow up to be president
And rule my dear and native land,
But that ambition has been spent
I could not love my fellow men
If every now and then they'd wish
To go catch something in its den
And make me eat their fav'rite dish.

A Disappointed Patriot.
Boarding the elevated train, a man
Of square jaws and determined eyes
Selects a seat in the center of the
first car.
Glaring defiantly at the guard he
takes from his pocket a big, fat, black
cigar and lights it.

Grimly, methodically he puffs away,
ever and anon casting a steely glare
at the guard.
Finally he calls to that worthy:
"I'm smoking. Why don't you try
to make me stop?"

"I don't care how much you smoke,
sir," answers the guard. "This is the
Northwestern I. you are on. Did you
think you were on the Oak Park L?"
Alas, this shows how hard it is to
be a martyr.

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its most loyal and worthy members,
one who believed in the tenets and
principles taught by this order and
whose life therefore was consistent
in the establishment of a reputation
that all of us may ever remember
with loving pride.

THAT, We extend to his bereaved
family our heartfelt sympathies, that
a copy of these resolutions be spread
on the minutes of the lodge and pre-
sented to the Hickman Courier for
publication and a copy of same be
sent to his family.

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Jno. Pyle, Clerk.
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Tobe Calvin, Sentry.
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"colored," according to a decision of
the District Appeals Court in the
case of Isabel L. Wall, against the
education board at Washington. The
child had been barred from the white
schools on account of her lineage.

The snow which fell the first of
last week covered the ground in the
mountain districts to a depth of over
two feet.

CHRISTMAS JIBES

All Paid For.

"Your wife was telling my wife that
you've got all your Christmas presents
paid for," remarked the man in the
corner of the city train to the lean in-
dividual sitting by his side.

"Yes; paid for the last of them yes-
terday," was the reply.

"Lucky dog! I haven't even begun
to think of the presents I've got to
buy."

"Oh, neither have we for this year.
My wife was speaking of last year's
presents."

Santa Is Easy.

Bobby (on Christmas morning)—
"Where does Santa Claus get all his
things, mamma?"

Mamma—"Oh, he buys them."
Bobby—"Well, he must be a jay to
let anyone palm off a tin watch on
him!"

Seasonable Thoughts.



At this season thoughts of boys
lightly run to Santa Claus.

Where They Come From.
Guest (dining at merry Christmas
party)—"Tommy, where do turkeys
come from?"

Tommy (pointing to that on the ta-
ble)—"Dunno; but ma got this one
from a tramp for a shilling, 'cause he
said he stole it. Didn't he, ma?"

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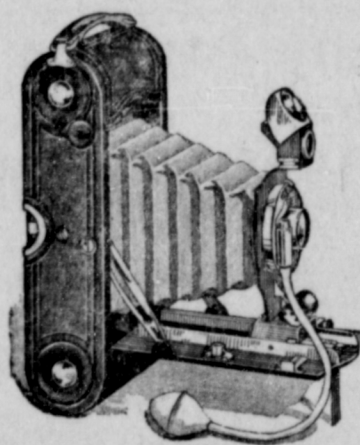
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Owing to the fact that some of our customers are dilatory in paying their Water and Lights Accounts, which are due and payable at our office ON OR BEFORE THE 10th of each month, we wish to announce that in the future the rule governing this branch of our business will be enforced to the letter. Our Collector will make collections on Main street only, between the 1st and 10th of each month, and will call but one time for this account. Failure to see you does not exempt you from the penalty of being cut off. Parties living in the outskirts of the city will please arrange to either send check or money, or make arrangements with one of the banks to pay their accounts.

Don't think that you will be the favored one as we will enforce the rule regardless of exceptions.

Hickman Ice & Coal Co.

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J. T. DILLON, Manager

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Hickman, Ky.

Mott's Nervous Pills.

The great nerve and brain treatment for men and women, produces strength and vitality, builds up the system and renews the normal vigor. For sale by Hickman Drug Co., or by mail, \$1 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.

Please Pay.

Parties who are indebted to me are requested to settle by the 20th of this month as I am going to leave Hickman and want to settle up my business here.

Those paying their accounts by the 20th of this month will be allowed a liberal discount, but if same is not settled by that time, I am going to sell the account and you will have to pay in full besides extra cost.

Better see me now and save money.

DR. C. W. CURLIN.

At Columbus last Sunday afternoon Hubert Byassee and Miss Willena Sublett Cole were united in marriage, the Rev. J. T. Bagby officiating.

Marriage Licenses

The following were granted license to marry in Obion county last week:

Oscar Phillips and Vesta Cook.
A. B. Brisentine and Hettie Utterbock.
A. W. Brawn and Abbie King.
J. B. Spikes and Mrs. Sadie McFarland.

Progressive Citizens.

In fact everyone these days, seeks to save time and the telephone is the greatest timesaver that has ever been invented. It is instantaneous. You can send and receive your message at the same time. It brings distant cities and towns within your reach almost instantly. It connects you locally with everyone of prominence. If you have not a telephone of the Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Company, call our manager immediately for rates and information. If you use the Bell service you are in the center of the entire Bell system, connecting with over five million telephones and every important city and town in the United States. —Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Company, Incorporated. ad

Will Williams, of near Fulton, is visiting C. H. Moore and helping him in his store during the holiday rush.

Mr. Latham is a new man added to the clerical force of the N. C. & St. L. at this place. He arrived here Thursday. The increase in business in the Hickman freight office has made it necessary to increase the force, and Mr. Latham will act in the capacity of operator and checking clerk.

Biggest line of stoves in Hickman, prices range from \$3 to \$25, both wood and coal, at the St. Louis Furnishing Co. We can save you from 25 to 50 per cent if you buy here.

For good groceries and prompt service, phone Home 38.

Kennedy for insurance.

For the Winter



HANDSOME long coat of plush or fur, finished with shawl collar and deep cuffs of fur, leaves nothing to be desired from the point of style or comfort. It is surmounted by a round turban of satin with a velvet coronet, on which a Persian band, embroidered with gold cord and studded with mock jewels, is mounted about the crown and across the brim. When the latter shows an indentation over the left eye a stiff aigrette is placed. These turbans set down over the head and are worn at a dashing and sometimes a little rakish angle, by the more youthful devotees of fashion. Equally full of style, more adaptable to individual wearers and the perfection of comfort and convenience, is to be found in the soft velvet hats and turbans (which might as properly be called hoods) and can only be accurately named as turban-hoods. They are not made over a frame but are supported by an interlining of some sort, warm and soft. They are lined with silk and worn far down on the head. A little fringe of curls about the forehead and neck is about all the hair that is visible with them. A soft hat and muff of beaver cloth in mustard color, trimmed with dark brown fox fur, is shown in the second figure. The fur is bordered with old gold lace and the turban finished with two standing plumes in brown and green. This set is from the atelier of the renowned Carlier of Paris. By such clever effects the French rightly earn and keep their prestige.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

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Our Christmas Candies will not be shipped until just a few days before Xmas. It will be FRESH. If we book your order NOW, you get only fresh delicious sweets. Nunnally's is a guarantee that there is nothing better anywhere.

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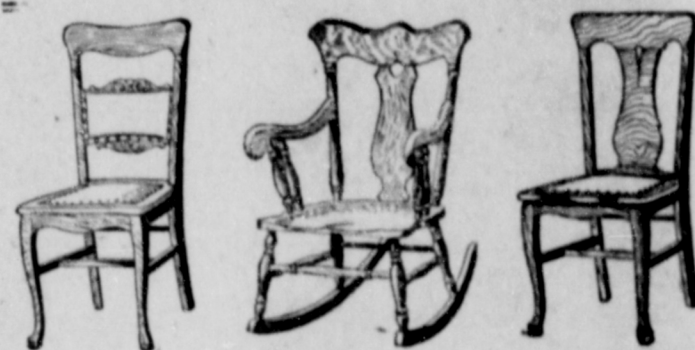
There were forty counties, according to the late census, that have lost in population during the last ten years, while 79 show gain. There is no doubt but what the census was badly taken, and the names of thousands of people have been omitted because of the incompetency of the census takers. But Fulton county came under the wire in good shape.

At a meeting of the several Methodist ministers of the Paducah district held at Paducah Wednesday it was decided to publish a monthly paper for circulation among the churches of the district. The paper will be edited by Presiding Elder Mecoy and each pastor will be a contributing editor. The first paper will appear the latter part of December. This is a mighty good way to ruin a reputable divine, as it requires more or less cussing in the newspaper business.

Children take BALLARD'S HORE-HOUND SYRUP willingly because it tastes nice. There isn't a better remedy anywhere for children's coughs, hoarseness and bronchitis. It's a good medicine and easy to take. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

W. T. Sudberry, Sr., age about 80 years, died at his home in Oakton, Ky., last week after a brief illness. Deceased was the father of W. T. Sudberry, the well known East Hickman merchant. The bereaved son has the sympathy of his many friends in Hickman.

Dependable Furniture...



We wish to call special attention to our Furniture Department. We are constantly receiving additions to our stock—stylish, dependable furniture, and invite you to call and see the many useful articles we have in the way of house and home furnishings. All at

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Nothing more acceptable than furniture—something that's always nice and ornamental

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If it leaks we have roofing that can be put on with a 15 year guarantee, for

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The manufacturer absolutely forbids any paint on this roofing, therefore you save on paint.

We are agents for the celebrated Regal and J. M. Asbestos Roof Coverings.

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Work For Yourself

by having a savings account. Save what you can—have an object in view. Some day you will want to go into business for YOU—your savings will not only supply the needed money but will also be a firm basis for credit—and credit to the business man is of more importance than ready money.

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